

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND LODGE
OF
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons
OF
MINNESOTA.

AT THE FIFTY-SECOND ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

HELD AT

ST. PAUL, JANUARY 18 AND 19,

1905.

OFFICIATING:

M. W. WM. A. MCGONAGLE, Duluth, Grand Master.

R. W. THOMAS MONTGOMERY, St. Paul, Grand Secretary.

ELECTED AND INSTALLED:

M. W. HENRY M. TUSLER, St. Paul, Grand Master.

R. W. THOMAS MONTGOMERY, St. Paul, Grand Secretary.

ORDERED TO BE READ IN ALL THE LODGES.

ST. PAUL, MINN.:
THE PIONEER PRESS MFG. DEPTS.,
1905.

OFFICERS GRAND LODGE A. F. & A. M. OF MINNESOTA.

Installed January 19, 1905.

ELECTED.

M. W. Bro. HENRY M. TUSLER, St. Paul.....Grand Master
R. W. Bro. THOMAS MORRIS, Crookston....Deputy Grand Master
R. W. Bro. GUSTAF WIDELL, Mankato.....Senior Grand Warden
R. W. Bro. WM. P. ROBERTS, Minneapolis..Junior Grand Warden
R. W. Bro. DAVID W. KNOWLTON, Minneapolis..Grand Treasurer
R. W. Bro. THOS. MONTGOMERY, St. Paul..Grand Secretary

APPOINTED.

W. Bro. ELMER A. KLING, Little Falls.....Grand Orator
W. Bro. ALFRED G. PINKHAM, Owatonna.....Grand Chaplain
W. Bro. EUGENE E. SWAN, Stewart.....Senior Grand Deacon
W. Bro. SHELDON L. FRAZER, Duluth.....Junior Grand Deacon
W. Bro. R. A. W. MCLEOD, Lake City.....Grand Marshal
W. Bro. H. W. HENDRICKSON, Montevideo..Grand Standard Bearer
W. Bro. EDWIN H. FOOT, Red Wing.....Grand Sword Bearer
W. Bro. WILLIAM A. NOLAN, Grand Meadow..Senior Grand Steward
W. Bro. W. C. MASTERMAN, Stillwater.....Junior Grand Steward
W. Bro. CHARLES W. STITES, Lake Benton.....Grand Pursuivant
W. Bro. CHAS. J. KRUGER, St. Paul.....Grand Tyler

COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

IRVING TODD, Hastings. THOS. MONTGOMERY, St. Paul.
GEORGE R. METCALF, St. Paul.

BOARD OF CUSTODIANS.

CHARLES GRISWOLD, North St. Paul, Chairman.
WILLIAM B. PATTON, Duluth. DAVID W. KNOWLTON, Minneapolis.
WILLIAM R. SMITH, Benson. JOHN H. SPROUT, Blue Earth.

. OFFICERS GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS.

Installed October 11, 1904.

M. E. Comp. GEORGE FORSYTH, Brainerd.....Grand High Priest
M. E. Comp. THOS. MONTGOMERY, St. Paul.....Grand Secretary

OFFICERS GRAND COUNCIL ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS.

Installed October 10, 1904.

M. I. Comp. CHARLES J. BEVAN, Minneapolis.....Grand Master
R. I. Comp. THOS. MONTGOMERY, St. Paul.....Grand Recorder

OFFICERS GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

Installed April 27, 1904.

R. E. Sir Knight GEORGE W. BUCK, Duluth....Grand Commander
E. Sir Knight E. M. VAN CLEVE, Minneapolis.....Grand Recorder

RULES FOR MASONIC DATES.

1. *Ancient Craft Masons*—Add 4000 to the current year, thus:
A. D. 1905+4000=A. L. (*Anno Lucis*—year of light) 5905.
2. *Royal Arch Masons*—Add 530 to the current year, thus: A. D. 1905+530=A. I. (*Anno Inventionis*—year of discovery) 2435.
3. *Royal and Select Masters*—Add 1000 to the current year, thus:
A. D. 1905+1000=A. Dep. (*Anno Depositionis*—year of deposit) 2905.
4. *Knights Templar*—Subtract 1118 from the current year, thus:
A. D. 1905-1118=A. O. (*Anno Ordinis*—year of the Order) 787.

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OF THE
M.: W.: Grand Lodge of A.: F.: & A.: M.:
OF MINNESOTA.

FIFTY-SECOND ANNUAL COMMUNICATION.

ST. PAUL, WEDNESDAY, Jan. 18, 1904

The Fifty-second Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota was held in the Masonic Hall on Fifth street, in the City of St. Paul, commencing at high twelve on Wednesday, January 18, A. D. 1905, A. L. 5905.

All the Grand Officers were present, except the Grand Marshal. During the session 221 lodges were represented out of 242 on the roll.

The Grand Lodge was opened in AMPLE FORM by Grand Master William A. McGonagle, the Grand Chaplain offering prayer.

Grand Secretary Montgomery appointed Bros. E. C. Shibley (191) and Chas. P. Montgomery (185) his assistants.

Visiting brethren were assigned to seats in the gallery.

The Grand Master appointed the following Committee on Credentials: Thomas Montgomery, Grand Secretary, E. C. Shibley (191) and L. D. Foskett (141).

Proxies were called for and handed in to the committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

A roll of all brethren entitled to seats having been prepared by the Grand Secretary, those present, including proxies, were noted as he called the roll, and the committee, after reporting, were continued to make additions and corrections during the session. The following is their corrected report:

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Credentials respectfully report that there are present sixteen Grand Officers, seventeen permanent members, and 361 representatives of 221 out of 242 active chartered Lodges, including 79 proxies, as follows:

GRAND OFFICERS.

M. W. Bro. William A. McGonagle.....	Grand Master
R. W. Bro. Henry M. Tusler.....	Deputy Grand Master
R. W. Bro. Thomas Morris.....	Senior Grand Warden
R. W. Bro. Gustaf Widell.....	Junior Grand Warden
R. W. Bro. David W. Knowlton.....	Grand Treasurer
R. W. Bro. Thomas Montgomery.....	Grand Secretary
W. Bro. Luis G. Hoffman.....	Grand Orator
W. Bro. Alfred G. Pinkham.....	Grand Chaplain
W. Bro. Charles L. Sawyer.....	Senior Grand Deacon
W. Bro. Eugene E. Swan.....	Junior Grand Deacon
W. Bro. R. A. W. McLeod.....	Grand Standard Bearer
W. Bro. H. W. Hendrickson.....	Grand Sword Bearer
W. Bro. William P. Roberts.....	Senior Grand Steward
W. Bro. Edwin H. Foot.....	Junior Grand Steward
W. Bro. William A. Nolan.....	Grand Pursuivant
W. Bro. Charles J. Kruger.....	Grand Tyler

PERMANENT MEMBERS.

Past Grand Masters—Charles Griswold, Edward W. Durant, Henry R. Wells, Henry R. Denny, Calvin L. Brown, Alonzo T. Stebbins, Alonzo Brandenburg, Ambrose D. Countryman, Henry R. Adams.

Past Deputy Grand Masters—George H. Davis, Charles L. West.

Past Senior Grand Wardens—Samuel E. Adams, Edgar Nash.

Past Junior Grand Wardens—Albert Marden, Henry C. Shepard, William B. Patton, James D. Markham.

REPRESENTATIVES OF LODGES, 1905.

- No. 1. St. Johns..... W. C. Masterman, W. M.
Roy C. Lammers, proxy for S. W.
Thos. C. Clark, proxy for J. W.
2. Cataract Edward E. Nicholson, W. M.
Frank L. Gowen, S. W.
3. St. Paul..... Milton S. Mead, S. W.
4. Hennepin Fred G. Dustin, W. M.
John J. Bullis, S. W.
James G. Houghton, proxy for J. W.
5. Ancient Landmark. Lawrence Hope, W. M.
John K. Robinson, S. W.
Benj. K. Edwards, J. W.
7. Dakota John E. Olson, W. M.
Irving Todd, proxy for J. W.
8. Red Wing..... C. B. Johnson, S. W.
9. Faribault J. F. Lindeman, W. M.
O. M. Henderson, S. W.
D. E. Goodman, proxy for J. W.
11. Mantorville J. M. F. Cooper, W. M.
Levi Spurbeck, S. W.
M. C. Shaver, proxy for J. W.
12. Mankato Samuel B. Wilson, W. M.
Fred'k L. Searing, S. W.
J. N. Day, proxy for J. W.
14. Wapahasa Jos. Buisson, proxy for W. M.
16. Monticello Chas. D. Keene, W. M.
Herbert N. Clarey, S. W.
Bert M. Barker, J. W.
17. Hokah Not represented.
18. Winona S. S. Strouse, W. M.
F. E. Gartside, J. W.
19. Minneapolis George E. Young, W. M.
H. M. Myers, proxy for S. W.
A. M. Chesher, J. W.
20. Caledonia O. K. Dahle, W. M.
21. Rochester T. H. Bliss, W. M.
O. C. Heyerdale, S. W.
A. W. Stinchfield, proxy for J. W.
22. Pleasant Grove..... O. H. Page, proxy for W. M.
C. L. Denny, S. W.
Wm. Smith, J. W.
23. North Star..... Arthur L. Graburn, W. M.
E. V. Campbell, proxy for S. W.
Otto H. Wood, proxy for J. W.

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| No. 24. | Wilton | Henry Clausen, proxy for W. M. Wm. Schreiber, S. W. Wm. M. Griffith, J. W. |
| 26. | Western Star..... | L. A. Hanes, W. M. N. C. Sorenson, S. W. |
| 27. | Blue Earth Valley.. | Frank E. Cady, W. M. |
| 28. | Clear Water..... | Fred W. Hyatt, W. M. |
| 29. | Morning Star..... | A. Lilly, W. M. |
| 30. | Anoka | Oliver F. Warnes, W. M. P. G. Woodward, S. W. John P. McGinty, J. W. |
| 31. | King Hiram..... | G. O. Orr, proxy for W. M. Chas. E. Morrell, J. W. |
| 32. | Sakatah | B. L. Blair, proxy for W. M. |
| 33. | Star in the East... | P. J. Kuntz, W. M. A. G. Pinkham, S. W. |
| 34. | Oriental | Andrew McKenzie, W. M. |
| 35. | Mount Moriah.... | C. E. Reed, W. M. C. L. Bonwell, S. W. A. M. Hayes, proxy for J. W. |
| 36. | Preston | John W. Hopp, W. M. |
| 37. | Mystic Tie..... | Chas. L. Parham, W. M. |
| 38. | Washington | C. S. Day, W. M. |
| 39. | Fidelity | John H. Anderson, proxy for W. M. R. E. Shepherd, proxy for J. W. |
| 40. | Carnelian | W. J. Fladwed, W. M. R. A. W. McLeod, proxy for S. W. |
| 41. | Hermon | F. W. Fulkerson, W. M. Edwin L. Woodbery, proxy for S. W. J. L. Williams, J. W. |
| 42. | Hope | Harold Nelson, W. M. Elwin B. Greaves, S. W. |
| 43. | Harmony | J. E. Peters, proxy for W. M. |
| 44. | King Solomon.... | Not represented. |
| 45. | Union | H. F. Weis, W. M. M. P. Curtis, S. W. W. H. Tomlinson, J. W. |
| 46. | Evergreen | N. G. Bain, W. M. |
| 47. | Concord | W. C. Davis, S. W. |
| 48. | Social | W. C. Barnard, W. M. J. M. Waldren, S. W. H. J. Baldwin, J. W. |
| 49. | Rising Sun..... | Emil W. Henbach, S. W. George K. Smith, J. W. |
| 50. | Watertown | C. G. Halgren, proxy for W. M. |
| 51. | Acacia | Irving T. Morev, W. M. |

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| No. 52. | Cannon River..... | George Mohm, W.: M.:. |
| 54. | Nicollet | James Bennett, W.: M.:.
Charles H. Clark, S.: W.:. |
| 55. | Zion | Not represented. |
| 56. | Meridian | E. W. Rossman, proxy for W.: M.:.
J. O. Sprout, proxy for S.: W.:. |
| 57. | Blue Earth City.... | Maynard M. Freer, W.: M.:. |
| 58. | Spring Valley..... | George M. Warren, W.: M.:.
Burdette Thayer, S.: W.:. |
| 59. | Temple | Merton S. Goodnow, W.: M.:.
Joseph A. Tmey, proxy for S.: W.:. |
| 60. | Star in the West... | Harold L. Lamb, W.: M.:. |
| 61. | Ashler | J. B. Copley, proxy for W.: M.:. |
| 62. | Star | Chas. Bugbee, W.: M.:. |
| 63. | Illustrious | F. L. Gilbert, proxy for W.: M.:.
F. A. Wells, proxy for S.: W.:.
G. R. Hall, proxy for J.: W.:. |
| 64. | Chain Lake..... | A. A. Horton, W.: M.:. |
| 65. | Golden Rule..... | C. V. Holmstrom, W.: M.:. |
| 66. | Madelia | Not represented. |
| 67. | Corinthian | C. B. Whittier, W.: M.:.
A. K. Gray, S.: W.:. |
| 69. | Mystic Star..... | W. F. Drake, W.: M.:.
G. W. Rockwell, J.: W.:. |
| 71. | Paynesville | Henry A. Wells, W.: M.:. |
| 72. | Lansing | O. C. La Bar, W.: M.:. |
| 73. | Brownsville | Not represented. |
| 75. | Eureka | Not represented. |
| 76. | Joppa | Chas. F. Ulrich, W.: M.:. |
| 77. | Tuscan | E. C. Goodspeed, J.: W.:. |
| 78. | Mystic Circle..... | J. R. Gordon, W.: M.:. |
| 79. | Palestine | Guy A. Eaton, W.: M.:.
Chas. A. Bronson, S.: W.:. |
| 80. | Henderson | Not represented. |
| 81. | Constellation | E. A. Hensel, W.: M.:. |
| 82. | Howard | J. H. Wager, W.: M.:. |
| 83. | Huram Abi..... | J. J. McCaughey, W.: M.:. |
| 84. | Orient | Taylor Robinson, W.: M.:. |
| 85. | High Forest..... | E. H. Englehart, W.: M.:. |
| 86. | Tyrian | John McCabe, W.: M.:.
A. R. Hawkinson, S.: W.:. |
| 87. | Doric | R. F. Drake, W.: M.:. |
| 89. | Golden Fleece..... | Jonathan W. Wright, W.: M.:.
J. W. Johnson, proxy for S.: W.:.
Nels E. Anderson, J.: W.:. |
| 90. | Good Faith..... | John Burnham, W.: M.:.
Alex. Fiddes, proxy for J.: W.:. |

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| No. 91. | Antiquity | Julius A. Schmalh, proxy for W.: M.: |
| 92. | Fraternal | B. D. Grant, W.: M.:
J. F. Zimmermann, S.: W.:
T. L. Armitage, J.: W.: |
| 93. | Unity | L. L. Sartell, W.: M.: |
| 94. | Keystone | C. J. Hansen, J.: W.: |
| 95. | Sherburne | Fred D. Waterman, W.: M.: |
| 96. | Libanus | M. G. Fossom, W.: M.: |
| 97. | Prudence | Nels Anderson, W.: M.:
J. F. French, S.: W.:
F. J. Carpenter, J.: W.: |
| 98. | Charity | Wm. B. Mather, J.: W.: |
| 99. | Corner Stone..... | C. L. Hilton, W.: M.:
N. F. Field, S.: W.:
Jno. T. Johnson, proxy for J.: W.: |
| 100. | Aurora | Judd Wright, W.: M.: |
| 101. | Fraternity | Wilson Ager, W.: M.:
W. E. Bloom, S.: W.: |
| 102. | Lebanon | F. M. Bean, W.: M.: |
| 103. | Bethel | D. H. Edwards, W.: M.:
J. C. James, J.: W.: |
| 104. | Sharon | John C. Freese, W.: M.:
Chas. N. Oram, S.: W.: |
| 106. | Mount Tabor..... | Geo. C. Bush, proxy for W.: M.: |
| 108. | Relief | Gustave Crail, W.: M.:
E. H. Phillips, proxy for J.: W.: |
| 109. | Sunset | Wm. Dunbrack, proxy for W.: M.: |
| 110. | Pickwick | E. A. Gross, S.: W.: |
| 111. | Carver | O. C. Brunius, proxy for W.: M.:
Geo. C. E. Goetze, S.: W.:
C. A. Franzen, J.: W.: |
| 112. | Khumum | S. B. Washburn, W.: M.:
O. E. F. Smith, S.: W.: |
| 113. | Excelsior | C. O. Woodruff, proxy for W.: M.: |
| 114. | Ben Franklin..... | Chas. A. Palmer, S.: W.: |
| 115. | Elgin | D. W. Searles, J.: W.: |
| 116. | Lafayette | A. B. Warren, W.: M.:
J. N. Thatcher, S.: W.:
F. O. Tanner, J.: W.: |
| 117. | Granite | J. G. C. Johnson, W.: M.:
C. E. Wheaton, J.: W.: |
| 118. | Newport | F. Tibbetts, proxy for W.: M.: |
| 119. | Delta | Jas. C. Burchard, W.: M.:
F. A. Hawkins, proxy for S.: W.:
Chas. W. Hicks, J.: W.: |
| 121. | Grand Meadow.... | George A. Wright, S.: W.:
W. A. Nolan, proxy for J.: W.: |

- No. 122. Kellogg H. W. Canfield, W.'. M'.
123. Prairie E. Morton, W.'. M'.
A. A. Peterson, J.'. W'.
124. Janesville Joel A. Goodrich, W.'. M'.
125. Winslow Lewis..... D. S. Libby, J.'. W'.
126. Moorhead J. Pierce Wolfe, proxy for W.'. M'.
128. Josephus Eugene Hadley, W.'. M'.
129. Swift Wilbert Fallis, S.'. W'.
- W. R. Smith, proxy for J.'. W'.
131. Alma A. B. Anderson, W.'. M'.
- G. Lent, S.'. W'.
132. Humboldt Julius W. Truwe, W.'. M'.
- H. S. Vogle, proxy for J.'. W'.
133. Golden Sheaf..... J. W. Eddy, proxy for S.'. W'.
- F. M. Hesler, proxy for J.'. W'.
134. Cokato Willis E. Corkins, W.'. M'.
- Wm. H. Reed, J.'. W'.
135. Nelson Alfred E. Sturges, S.'. W'.
- Edward E. Covey, J.'. W'.
136. Walnut D. O. Bulen, W.'. M'.
137. Appleton G. Kivley, W.'. M'.
- J. T. Wilkinson, proxy for J.'. W'.
138. Orion Henry W. Jones, W.'. M'.
- Jens A. Walin, S.'. W'.
- Oscar H. Larson, J.'. W'.
139. Verndale Geo. W. Empey, W.'. M'.
- Conrad Ditmore, proxy for S.'. W'.
140. Little Falls..... E. A. Kling, proxy for W.'. M'.
- E. S. Stanton, J.'. W'.
141. Crookston L. D. Foskett, S.'. W'.
142. Currie Lewis G. Gates, W.'. M'.
143. Lakeview Elmer N. Morrill, W.'. M'.
- Hayden French, proxy for S.'. W'.
144. Bird Island..... J. H. Feeter, W.'. M'.
145. Melrose Hugh C. Maguren, proxy for W.'. M'.
146. Benton Henry Potter, W.'. M'.
147. Canby A. Gilberson, proxy for W.'. M'.
148. Quarry E. H. Argetsinger, W.'. M'.
- Geo. W. Nash, proxy for S.'. W'.
149. Guardian Peter B. Jensen, W.'. M'.
150. Warren Douglas Farrell, W.'. M'.
151. Chaska W. C. Odell, W.'. M'.
152. Frontier O. B. Todd, W.'. M'.
- T. E. Knudson, S.'. W'.
153. Kodahya G. S. Lines, W.'. M'.
- L. C. Bigelow, proxy for S.'. W'.

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- No. 154. Norman Peter Sharpe, W. M.
 155. Tracy James R. Crystal, W. M.
 156. Wadena John Liddell, W. M.
 Geo. M. Stowe, proxy for S. W.
 157. Perham J. L. Sawyer, W. M.
 J. L. Berthold, proxy for J. W.
 158. Hector A. M. Ericson, W. M.
 W. E. Kemp, proxy for S. W.
 H. L. Torbenson, J. W.
 159. Long Prairie..... W. A. Barto, S. W.
 160. Plymouth Geo. V. B. Hill, W. M.
 161. Sincerity Wm. Kerr, W. M.
 A. E. Clark, S. W.
 162. Prescott A. W. Wells, W. M.
 R. P. Wells, proxy for J. W.
 163. Summit John W. Mahan, W. M.
 H. P. Fahnestock, S. W.
 Robert B. Ware, proxy for J. W.
 164. Jasper Curtis M. Johnson, W. M.
 Chas. E. Elmquist, S. W.
 165. Minnehaha T. O. Dahl, W. M.
 Thos. W. Allen, S. W.
 R. B. Pelton, J. W.
 166. Garnet James C. Fulton, W. M.
 C. L. Clark, S. W.
 C. E. Davies, J. W.
 167. Agate J. W. Noffsinger, W. M.
 168. Braden James Schoonmaker, W. M.
 Chas. L. Tracy, S. W.
 Max Dyer, J. W.
 169. Pierson O. J. Aamodt, W. M.
 M. D. Hawver, S. W.
 170. Fulda Emil King, W. M.
 171. Shekinah E. Weisenberger, W. M.
 F. A. Thiem, S. W.
 E. J. Souther, J. W.
 172. Marietta H. M. Griffin, W. M.
 173. Plumb Line..... Chas. L. Spaulding, W. M.
 174. Valley James Wyvell, W. M.
 175. Roman Eagle..... Not represented.
 176. Ark Harry Moore, W. M.
 177. Rough Ashlar..... Not represented.
 178. Anchor Thos. McDougal, W. M.
 179. King David..... Not represented.
 180. Osakis Knute Swore, W. M.
 181. Dalles O. S. Parker, proxy for W. M.

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- No. 182. Fair Haven.....J. G. Hayter, W.^c. M.^c.
S. J. Wooster, S.^c. W.^c.
184. ShellFrank M. Shepard, W.^c. M.^c.
185. MidwayChas. P. Montgomery, W.^c. M.^c.
Chas. E. Collet, S.^c. W.^c.
Chas. N. Orr, J.^c. W.^c.
186. IonicWm. D. Underhill, W.^c. M.^c.
A. S. Wakeman, S.^c. W.^c.
Sheldon L. Frazer, proxy for J.^c. W.^c.
187. ArcanaJohn Suggitt, W.^c. M.^c.
H. A. Sauer, proxy for S.^c. W.^c.
188. FortitudeL. H. Bryan, proxy for W.^c. M.^c.
189. TraverseJoseph Bruns, W.^c. M.^c.
190. TriuneS. R. Loux, W.^c. M.^c.
191. MizpahGeorge L. Lytle, W.^c. M.^c.
E. C. Shibley, proxy for S.^c. W.^c.
192. Crow River.....Not represented.
193. AmboyNot represented.
194. CantonWm. Johnson, W.^c. M.^c.
195. RenvilleJ. R. Butters, W.^c. M.^c.
E. M. Clay, J.^c. W.^c.
196. GenevaNot represented.
197. VermillionNot represented.
198. EuclidGeorge E. Budd, W.^c. M.^c.
Wm. J. Darby, S.^c. W.^c.
L. A. Barnes, proxy for J.^c. W.^c.
199. MurrayW. A. Forsaith, W.^c. M.^c.
200. ZenithJohn R. Schmid, W.^c. M.^c.
201. KenyonM. H. Silvernale, proxy for W.^c. M.^c.
202. AtelierA. A. Stemsrud, W.^c. M.^c.
203. StewartvilleC. E. Fawcett, W.^c. M.^c.
204. St. Elmo.....Alex. G. McKnight, W.^c. M.^c.
205. WayzataWm. Bushnell, W.^c. M.^c.
206. FosstonNot represented.
207. CrescentArthur B. Church, W.^c. M.^c.
208. ItascaD. M. Gunn, W.^c. M.^c.
August Johnson, J.^c. W.^c.
209. SibleyJ. A. E. Johnson, W.^c. M.^c.
210. ColumbianLeroy Brown, proxy for W.^c. M.^c.
211. FriendshipJames E. Dean, W.^c. M.^c.
C. S. Pierce, proxy for S.^c. W.^c.
212. HallockElmer C. Yetter, W.^c. M.^c.
213. MysticIrvine Innes, W.^c. M.^c.
Fred H. Osterhout, proxy for S.^c. W.^c.
214. EvansvilleO. A. Felt, proxy for W.^c. M.^c.
215. ArgyleWm. Cuthill, proxy for W.^c. M.^c.
216. FlorenceTheo. M. Thomas, W.^c. M.^c.

No. 248.	Raymond	S. Edmundson, proxy for W.'. M.'.
249.	Barto	E. M. Pool, W.'. M.'.
250.	Lakefield	Ernest A. Gage, W.'. M.'.
251.	McKinley	Sidney W. Smith, W.'. M.'.
252.	Morton	J. B. D. Wagner, W.'. M.'.
253.	Dexter	Wm. H. Pierce, W.'. M.'.
254.	Lake Park.....	A. S. King, W.'. M.'.
255.	Mesaba	M. E. Pearce, W.'. M.'.
		Jas. A. Robinson, S.'. W.'.
		Walter N. Trener, J.'. W.'.
256.	Hawley	J. Ransom Hall, W.'. M.'.
257.	Fellowship.....	John W. Herrick, W.'. M.'.
258.	Montgomery.....	A. M. Bergstrom, W.'. M.'.
		H. H. Blinn, proxy for S.'. W.'.
		Frank R. Bunnell, J.'. W.'.

We also report the following Grand Representatives present:

A. Brandenburg.....	for Alabama, Michigan and Belgium
Sheldon L. Frazer.....	for Arkansas
Edward W. Durant.....	for Canada
Thos. Montgomery....	for Colorado, England, Scotland and Ireland
Charles Griswold.....	for Connecticut
Henry R. Denny.....	for Delaware
James D. Markham.....	for District of Columbia
William P. Roberts.....	for Florida
William B. Patton.....	for Georgia and Pennsylvania
Gustaf Widell.....	for Idaho
Alonzo T. Stebbins.....	for Illinois and Prince Edward Island
Calvin L. Brown.....	for Kansas
Henry R. Adams.....	for Maine and Rhode Island
Henry C. Shepard.....	for Manitoba
Henry R. Wells.....	for Mississippi, North and South Dakota
Wm. A. McGonagle.....	for Missouri, Ohio and Western Australia
A. D. Countryman.....	for Montana and South Australia
Albert Marden.....	for Nevada
Thomas Morris.....	for New Brunswick and Washington
David W. Knowlton.....	for New Jersey
Henry M. Tusler.....	for New South Wales, Tennessee and Utah
I. B. B. Sprague.....	for North Carolina
Irving Todd.....	for South Carolina

Samuel E. Adams.....for Vermont
 Edgar Nash.....for Virginia
 Charles L. West.....for West Virginia
 George H. Davis.....for Wisconsin

THOS. MONTGOMERY,
 E. C. SHIBLEY,
 L. D. FOSKETT,
Committee.

The Grand Master read an apology for his absence, from Past Grand Master G. S. Ives, on account of illness.

The Grand Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment until 2:30 p. m.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

ST. PAUL, WEDNESDAY, Jan. 18, 1905.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 2:30 p. m. Officers as before.

Grand Master McGonagle announced the appointment of the following committees:

ON ADDRESS OF GRAND MASTER.

Chas. A. Bronson (79), L. A. Hanes (26), Geo. E. Young (19).

FINANCE.

S. L. Frazer (186), J. H. Sprout (57), S. B. Wilson (12), O. S. Parker (181).

JURISPRUDENCE.

Past Grand Masters Wells, Griswold, Denny, Stebbins.

ANCIENT LANDMARKS.

A. Brandenburg (99), S. E. Adams (19), J. D. Markham (164), C. L. West (39).

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

W. C. Odell (151), W. D. Underhill (186).

APPROPRIATIONS.

Wm. B. Patton (79), Wm. P. Roberts (4), A. M. Hayes (35).

LODGES U. D.

A. D. Countryman (137), C. W. G. Hyde (224), Julius A. Schmahl (91).

PAY ROLL.

D. W. Knowlton (112), S. B. Washburne (112), E. E. Nicholson (2).

EXAMINATION OF VISITORS.

L. H. Bryan (188).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Edgar Nash (112), D. M. Gunn (208), G E Budd (198).

Grand Master McGonagle then read the following address:

ADDRESS.

To the Officers and Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota:

With feelings of profound gratitude to Almighty God, who has permitted us to assemble at this the fifty-second annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, I extend a cordial greeting to all the representatives of the two hundred and forty-two Lodges and the twenty thousand members comprising this Grand Jurisdiction; also to those sojourning brethren who have honored us by their presence.

Harmony prevails throughout our Grand Jurisdiction, and we have cultivated the most cordial fraternal relations with all regular Grand Jurisdictions throughout the world. The condition of the

Craft is most excellent, and from every direction come reports of the most substantial growth of our Institution. We have constituted three new Lodges and have given dispensations for three other Lodges U. D. Our total membership has increased from 19,515 to 20,291.

The reports of our District Deputy Grand Masters show that many petitions for the degrees of Free Masonry have been rejected, indicating that the Craft continue to exercise that careful scrutiny of the character of applicants which has for many years characterized the Masons of Minnesota.

NEW LODGES CONSTITUTED.

On February 20th Bro. Henry M. Tusler, acting as my proxy and assisted by many of the brethren of St. Paul, constituted Fellowship Lodge, No. 257, at North St. Paul and installed its officers. Brother Tusler reports that he was received with all possible honors, and that the occasion was an inspiring one and reflected much credit on the members of the new Lodge.

On February 22d Bro. Thomas Montgomery, acting as my proxy and assisted by many of the brethren of St. Paul, constituted Montgomery Lodge, No. 258, at St. Paul and installed its officers. Brother Montgomery reports a very happy occasion, and that much good to our Institution will result from planting this new Lodge in fertile ground.

It is but seldom that a distinguished Mason is honored by having a Lodge named after him during his life, but this honor belongs to Brother Montgomery, and right worthily does he wear it. May he live many years to see his namesake grow into one of the strongest Lodges in the state.

On February 24th Bro. Thomas Morris, acting as my proxy and assisted by many of the local brethren, constituted Hawley Lodge, No. 256, at Hawley and installed its officers. Brother Morris reports a most enjoyable occasion, and that the new Lodge gives promise of a successful future.

DISPENSATIONS FOR NEW LODGES.

On May 2d I issued a dispensation for a new Lodge at Fairfax, to be known as Fairfax Lodge, U. D., and appointed the following officers: A. E. Carver, W. M.; A. E. Fenske, S. W.; A. V. Rieke, J. W.

On August 30th I issued a dispensation for a new Lodge at Akeley, to be known as Berry Lodge, U. D., and appointed the following officers: C. F. Scheers, W. M.; James Mosher, S. W.; E. L. Murphy, J. W.

On September 12th I issued a dispensation for a new Lodge at Bricelyn, to be known as Truth Lodge, U. D., and appointed the following officers: G. H. Hicks, W. M.; C. P. Beadle, S. W.; C. F. Bassett, J. W.

These dispensations were granted after careful inquiry into the conditions in each place, and I am satisfied that they will grow into active, energetic Lodges, and will reflect credit upon our Institution.

MISCELLANEOUS DISPENSATIONS.

On August 20th a great storm damaged the Lodge room at Merriam Park and took the charter that was hanging framed, on the wall, out of the building, and it has never since been found. I immediately issued a dispensation to the Lodge to continue work until this communication of the Grand Lodge. It has been suggested that possibly the brethren in the planet Mars are now working under this charter, as their authority; if so, we may possibly see the forty-seventh problem of Euclid depicted upon the face of that planet at no distant date.

For reasons that appeared to me to be sufficient, I authorized the following Lodges to work on more than the constitutional number of candidates at one and the same time: Cataract, No. 2; St. Paul, No. 3; Hennepin, No. 4; Minneapolis, No. 19; Crookston, No. 141; Summit, No. 163; Minnehaha, No. 165; Ionic, No. 166; Braden, No. 168; Dalles, No. 181; Crescent, No. 207.

I have declined numerous requests of Lodges to appear in public contrary to Masonic law and usage.

On May 4th I gave permission to the Acacia Club, of the University of Minnesota, to send out circular letters to all the Lodges in this Jurisdiction, giving information that the Club would extend a helping hand to all sons and daughters of Masons in the way of assisting them in case of sickness and in aiding them to secure rooms and board in reputable families. The members of this Club are Master Masons, and I consider the work they have undertaken a most praiseworthy one, and so informed them by letter, wishing them Godspeed in their meritorious enterprise.

On February 6th I authorized the Grand Treasurer to invest \$3,000 in Minneapolis city bonds, netting three and one-half per cent interest. This was done after a conference between the Grand Treasurer, the Grand Secretary and myself, and has given us a revenue on what would otherwise have been idle capital.

I declined to issue a special dispensation to a Lodge to elect the three principal officers, two of those already installed having left the state and the third one would move away in a few days. The reason for declining to grant the request is that the officers were properly installed, could not resign, were still living and could at

any time within the term for which they were elected move back into the jurisdiction and demand their offices.

REVISION OF BY-LAWS.

I have approved revised by-laws of the following Lodges: Anoka, No. 30; Sakatah, No. 32; Howard, No. 82; Mt. Tabor, No. 106; Excelsior, No. 113; Nelson, No. 135; Orion, No. 138.

I have declined to approve by-laws which were in conflict with the landmarks of our Institution. I have, also, urged the officers of the Lodges to refrain from putting in provisions in their by-laws permitting honorary memberships, and exemptions from dues, on the ground that such action is contrary to the spirit of Masonry, which is that all members should have equal privileges. This does not in any way interfere with the remission of dues for just cause, and I hereby recommend that action be taken at this communication of the Grand Lodge to strike out all honorary memberships in the future and to allow no exemptions for dues. If the Lodge desires to recognize the Tyler and Chaplain, it can be done by paying them a nominal salary, but treat all members alike as to payment of dues.

DECISIONS.

An applicant for degrees claimed residence in A, because his parents lived there, he had his washing done there and he actually lived there from Saturday night until Monday morning. He worked, however, in B, and further investigation revealed the fact that he had voted in B, and that his name was on the poll list at B.

Question: Who has jurisdiction?

Answer: Undoubtedly the Lodge at B has complete jurisdiction.

An applicant will be twenty-one years of age on October 11th, this year.

Question: Can we receive his application now, get ready and initiate him on his twenty-first birthday?

Answer: No; the applicant must be twenty-one years of age when his petition is read for the first time in the Lodge.

Question: Is a brother stricken from the rolls for non-payment of dues, and a suicide, entitled to Masonic burial?

Answer: The brother may receive Masonic burial by courtesy of your Lodge.

Scores of questions have been asked and answered by reference to the Masonic Code, and I recommend that the officers and members of Lodges study the Code carefully, and relieve future Grand

Masters of much unnecessary work. I have had the usual number of one-armed, one-legged, club-footed and other disqualified cases to rule upon, which a moment's consideration by the officers of the Lodge would have settled without any reference to the Grand Master. I have been urged by brethren who know better to cast aside the decisions heretofore made and make a new ruling to permit their personal friends to enter our Institution. To each of them I have stated that the Grand Master, as the executive of the Grand Lodge, has no power to change the ancient landmarks of our Institution, and in this particular case has no desire to do so. Let us hope that our brethren will, sooner or later, learn that there are thousands of perfect men in our jurisdiction, and that it is unnecessary to give any consideration Masonically to the imperfect ones.

CORNER STONES LAID.

On July 12th Bro. Henry M. Tusler, acting as my proxy and assisted by Bro. Thomas Montgomery and the brethren of Windom Lodge, laid the corner stone of the new Court House at Windom. Bro. Moses E. Clapp delivered a very excellent oration and the occasion was a most notable one in the history of that town.

On August 10th I laid the corner stone of the new Masonic Temple in the City of Duluth, assisted by Bro. Henry M. Tusler, Deputy Grand Master; Bro. Thomas Morris, Senior Grand Warden; Bro. William B. Patton, as Junior Grand Warden; Bro. D. W. Knowlton, Grand Treasurer; Bro. Thomas Montgomery, Grand Secretary; Bro. Luis G. Hoffman, Grand Orator; Bro. Charles L. Sawyer, Senior Grand Deacon; Bro. Eugene E. Swan, Junior Grand Deacon; Bro. H. W. Hendrickson, Grand Sword Bearer; Bro. William P. Roberts, Senior Grand Steward; Bro. William A. Nolan, Grand Pursuivant, and Bro. Henry Van Brunt, as Grand Tyler.

The Grand Lodge was honored by the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Minnesota, under the command of R. E. Grand Commander George W. Buck, who courteously offered the services of the Grand Commandery as escort to the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, which offer was as courteously accepted by me on behalf of the Grand Lodge. The day was a perfect one and the brethren who were with us on a former occasion in the City of Duluth, when the temperature was at the freezing point on the Fourth of July, freely forgave me for their former experience, in view of the excellent quality of the weather on this occasion. The new temple is a credit to Masonry in general and to the brethren in Duluth in particular. It will cost, when completed, eighty thousand dollars and there will not be one dollar of mortgage indebtedness on the building at its completion. This should be encouraging to the brethren elsewhere throughout our state and indicates that the way to build

a Masonic Temple is to adopt the Duluth plan, namely, first decide to build a temple, *then do it*—the money will come forth as needed if you have the right kind of brethren on the firing line. I was honored by the members of Palestine Lodge, No. 79, who presented me with a trowel of solid silver to use in laying this corner stone. This trowel will always be one of my most treasured possessions, and will be a lasting reminder of this happy occasion.

On August 24th I laid the corner stone of the new High School building at Anoka, assisted by Bro. H. M. Tusler, Deputy Grand Master; Bro. Thos. Morris, Senior Grand Warden; Bro. Edwin H. Foot, as Junior Grand Warden; Bro. Thomas Montgomery, Grand Secretary; Bro. William P. Roberts, as Grand Treasurer, and many of the brethren of Anoka Lodge. The Grand Lodge was escorted by the members of Anoka Lodge, the school children of the city, the Board of Education, the Grand Army of the Republic, and other citizens. The occasion was a glorious one and we left feeling that much good had been accomplished by our visit to this fair city of the valley of the Mississippi.

INVASION OF JURISDICTION.

On February 29th I received a complaint from Grand Master C. C. Clark, of Iowa, that Alma Lodge, No. 131, had invaded their jurisdiction and had received four petitions from residents of Iowa, had elected, initiated, passed and raised these applicants in Alma Lodge. I immediately notified Alma Lodge that, unless they could show cause to the contrary, they must return to me, for transmission to the Grand Lodge of Iowa, all moneys received for fees and dues from these members. The Worshipful Master replied, after considerable delay, that the Lodge had performed the work as charged in the complaint, professed ignorance of any infraction of the law and stated that it was impossible to refund the money, as the membership was small, the members were poor, and that they would be put out of business if compelled to pay; it also appeared that the infractions of the law had been made three to five years before the complaint was made. He promised strict obedience to the law in the future if the matter could be adjusted. I referred the whole matter to Grand Master Clark, who replied that he would present the matter to the Grand Lodge of Iowa at its next annual communication and advise me further as to its action. I have received no further advice at this date on this subject.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

I have appointed the following brethren as our Grand Representatives near other Grand Lodges:

Alabama—Bro. Angus M. Scott of Headland, Alabama, in place of Bro. Benj. F. Pope, deceased.

Nebraska—Bro. George A. Beecher of Kearney, Nebraska.

Utah—Bro. George W. Luft of Mercur, Utah.

The following brethren have been appointed by other Grand Lodges as Grand Representatives near our Grand Lodge:

W. A. McGonagle, Duluth, for Western Australia.

Gustaf Widell, Mankato, for Idaho.

Henry M. Tusler, St. Paul, for Tennessee.

VISITATIONS.

I have made as many visitations as was possible, considering the requirements made of my time by the active management of an important railroad. I have endeavored so far as practical to confine my visits to those Lodges where no Grand Master has ever before visited, and the royal welcome extended to me as Grand Master on all these occasions should be an incentive to succeeding Grand Masters to try the same experiment. I have found that even in our large cities there are Lodges that have never been honored by a visitation from the Grand Master and but few of the country Lodges have ever experienced the sensation of receiving, with the Grand Honors, the head of our Institution.

Among others I have visited Palestine Lodge, No. 79; Ionic Lodge, No. 186, and Euclid Lodge, No. 198, at Duluth; Fortitude Lodge, No. 188, at Two Harbors; Vermilion Lodge, No. 197, at Tower; Dalles Lodge, No. 181, at Cloquet; Itasca Lodge, No. 208, at Grand Rapids; Eveleth Lodge, No. 239, at Eveleth; Mesaba Lodge, No. 255, at Hibbing; Capital City Lodge, No. 217, at St. Paul; Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, at Minneapolis.

On all these occasions I was received with full Masonic honors and witnessed work of the highest character, indicating that the brethren are in earnest and giving their best energies to the advancement of our Institution.

The Lodge at Hibbing has made marvelous progress, its future growth seems even brighter, and throughout the iron ranges the advantages of the Masonic Lodge are everywhere apparent.

On the occasion of my visit to Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, I had the privilege of witnessing the Third Degree conferred on the thousandth member of the Lodge. The chairs were filled by Past Masters, and Bro. Horace M. Myers filled the East with all the dignity and grace for which he is justly celebrated. I acknowledge with sincere thanks a very handsome silver medal struck in honor

of the occasion, suitably engraved with my name and title and presented to me with the compliments of the members of the Lodge. It shall have a very prominent place among my Masonic treasures.

NECROLOGY.

The messenger of death came unexpectedly near the close of the year and claimed one of the brightest and most useful lives among our Past Grand Masters, M. W. Bro. Jacob Armel Kiester, who passed to his reward on December 13th, at the town of Blue Earth. I caused the following memorial to be published and distributed to the Lodges in this jurisdiction and elsewhere:

GRAND LODGE OF A. F. & A. M. OF MINNESOTA,
OFFICE OF THE GRAND MASTER.
DULUTH, MINN., Dec. 19, 1904.

To the Masonic Craft of Minnesota and Elsewhere:

Another grand column is broken. Our fifteenth Grand Master is no more. Out of twenty-four Past Grand Masters, he was the eleventh to be called by death to try the realities of an eternal state.

M. W. BRO. JACOB ARMEL KIESTER, PAST GRAND
MASTER,

died at his home in Blue Earth, Minn., at 6:30, Tuesday morning, Dec. 13, 1904, of uraemic poisoning, aged 72 years, 7 months and 14 days, after an illness of only ten days. He was born at Mount Pleasant, Pa., April 29, 1832. He was a graduate of Dickinson College of that state. After an apprenticeship of four years learning the mercantile business and bookkeeping, he studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1855. He came to Wisconsin in 1856, and in April, 1857, located at Blue Earth City. He was married in December, 1859, to Miss Caroline Billings. Five of their six children are still living. Since the death of his wife, March 31st, last, he has been living practically alone, and felt a strong desire to join her on the other side as soon as it pleased God to take him.

Our distinguished brother "has been closely identified with the upbuilding of his county, politically, morally, religiously and fraternally, and the impress of his ripe scholarship, his sterling integrity, geniality and Christian example are to be observed on every hand. He was an eloquent orator and could thrill an audience as was given to but few public speakers."

He served Faribault County as Surveyor; Register of Deeds six years; Judge of Probate over twenty-one years, and County Attor-

ney. He also served acceptably as a member of the Legislature, both in the House and Senate. Since his retirement from public life, ten years ago, he has been engaged in preparing and publishing a "History of Faribault County." The first volume, covering twenty-five years, has been published; the second is about ready for publication.

Brother Kiester was for the past twenty-nine years a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and for a long time a lay reader therein. He was an authority on Masonic subjects, and was an occasional contributor to the Masonic press. He received the Masonic degrees as follows: Initiated March 1, 1859, in Blue Earth Valley Lodge, No. 27, Winnebago City, Minn.; passed April 25, 1873, and raised May 17, 1873, in Blue Earth City Lodge, No. 57; exalted Sept. 17, 1873, in Mt. Horeb Chapter, No. 21, Winnebago City; created a Knight Templar, Oct. 16, 1889, in Mankato Commandery, No. 4. He received the degrees of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, 19 to 32, inclusive, from Thomas Montgomery, Deputy Inspector General, Oct. 16, 1889. He was Senior Warden of Blue Earth City Lodge, No. 57, in 1874 and 1875, and its Master in 1876 and 1877. He was Grand Orator of the Grand Lodge in 1884, Senior Grand Warden in 1885 and 1886, Deputy Grand Master in 1887 and 1888 and Grand Master in 1889 and 1890. He also acted as Grand Master during a portion of 1888, and presided at the Annual Communication of 1889, owing to the protracted illness of Grand Master John H. Brown. He was modest and retiring in his demeanor, simple in his habits and mode of living, thorough in every detail of business, "and by his unquestioned honor and fairness, the name of Judge Kiester became a synonym of probity and confidence." His valuable Masonic library will be added to that of his home Lodge. He was buried Thursday, December 15th, by the Grand Lodge, Bro. Henry M. Tusler, Deputy Grand Master, officiating. About one hundred Masons attended the funeral, including a large escort of Knights Templar. May he rest in peace.

WILLIAM A. MCGONAGLE,
Grand Master.

(Seal.)

Attest:

THOMAS MONTGOMERY,
Grand Secretary.

As we reflect upon this useful life which has been transferred to the Supreme Grand Lodge above, the words of Thomas Moore seem peculiarly appropriate:

"It is not the tear at this moment shed
When the cold turf has just been laid o'er him
That can tell how beloved was the friend that's fled,
Or how deep in our hearts we deplore him.

" 'Tis the tear through many a long day wept,
 'Tis life's whole path o'ershaded;
 'Tis the one remembrance fondly kept,
 When all lighter griefs have faded.

"Thus his memory, like some Holy light,
 Kept alive in our hearts will improve them,
 For worth shall look fairer and Truth more bright,
 When we think how he lived but to love them.

"And, as fresher flowers the sod perfume
 Where buried saints are lying,
 So our hearts shall borrow a sweetening bloom,
 From the image he left there in dying."

We deeply mourn the loss of distinguished brethren of sister jurisdictions, as follows:

- Arizona—Charles C. Warner, Deputy Grand Master, June 3, 1904.
 Arkansas—George E. Dodge, Past Grand Master, Feb. 6, 1904.
 Colorado—George T. Cooper, Deputy Grand Master, June 20, 1904.
 Florida—Warren Tyler, Junior Grand Warden, Dec. 21, 1903.
 Florida—William F. Bynum, Past Grand Master, May 9, 1904.
 Maine—Joseph A. Locke, Past Grand Master, April 21, 1904.
 Maine—Marquis F. King, Grand Treasurer, Oct. 21, 1904.
 Michigan—Arthur M. Clark, Past Grand Master, Oct. 26, 1903.
 Missouri—John D. Vincil, Grand Secretary and Past Grand Master,
 Oct. 12, 1904.
 Montana—James R. Webster, Past Grand Master, Aug. 13, 1904.
 Montana—James W. Hathaway, Past Grand Master, Aug. 29, 1904.
 Montana—James H. Mills, Past Grand Master, Sept. 5, 1904.
 Nevada—Trenmor Coffin, Past Grand Master, Aug. 26, 1904.
 New Jersey—Charles Belcher, Past Grand Master, Feb. 20, 1904.
 Nova Scotia—Charles J. McDonald, Past Grand Master, Oct. 12, 1903.
 Ohio—S. Stacker Williams, Past Grand Master, April 3, 1904.
 South Dakota—Albert W. Coe, Past Grand Master, Sept. 5, 1904.
 South Dakota—Charles A. Fisher, Senior Grand Warden, July 9, 1904.
 Texas—A. J. Rose, Past Grand Master, Dec. 13, 1903.
 Vermont—Myron J. Horton, Junior Grand Warden, Jan. 7, 1904.
 Vermont—Ozro Meacham, Past Grand Master, Oct. 23, 1904.
 West Virginia—William H. Flick, Past Grand Master, June 7, 1904.
 Wisconsin—Oliver Libbey, Past Grand Master, Dec. 26, 1904.
 Wisconsin—Gabriel Bouck, Past Grand Master, Feb. 21, 1904.

CONCLUSION.

In concluding the work of the exalted office to which the members of the Grand Lodge elected me one year ago by a practically unanimous vote, permit me at this time to express my heartfelt thanks for the great honor you conferred upon me in permitting my name to be twined in immortal green with those great names that have preceded me in this great office. The office of Grand Master of Masons of Minnesota is greater and more honorable than any political office that can be bestowed upon a citizen of this great state, for the reason that it is given by the intelligent thought and votes of the enlightened classes of our citizens, instead of, as is too often the case in political honors, to the man who can be used by and made pliable by the particular element by which he is elected to office.

In executing my work as Grand Master I have endeavored to be fair and impartial to all and have tried in many cases to broaden the views of some of the members of Lodges who had petty squabbles among themselves that in some cases merited the application of a mother's slipper. I have long since learned that all men are not constituted alike, and fortunately so, as the progress of the world depends in large measure upon this very fact. We must take men as they are, and reflect occasionally that we may be wrong ourselves; by so doing we will certainly develop a broader character in ourselves and may possibly extend the influence and the radiance of such a character to our fellow men.

I desire to express my sincere appreciation of the valuable assistance given to me by all the officers of the Grand Lodge, and particularly to Brothers Montgomery, Tusler and Morris, who have greatly lightened the arduous duties of my office. The Grand Lodge is to be congratulated in the fact that there are in line of promotion Masons of the highest character and ability and I realize that whatever of merit may be found in my administration by the future historian, will be eclipsed by the administration of that typical Mason and true friend who sits with me as my chief advisor and counsellor in the work of this Grand Lodge.

As we enter upon the New Year we realize that new duties and new obligations will be required of us. An author unknown to me has written the following lines suggestive of the New Year:

“He came to my desk with a quivering lip,

The lesson was done.

‘Dear Teacher, I want a new leaf,’ he said;

‘I have spoiled this one.’

In place of the leaf so stained and blotted

I gave him a new one, all unspotted,

And into his sad eyes smiled,

‘Do better, now, my child.’

"I went to the throne with a quivering heart
The old year was done.
'Dear Father, has thou a new leaf for me?
I have spoiled this one.'
He took the old leaf, stained and blotted,
And gave me a new one all unspotted,
And into my sad heart smiled,
'Do better, now, my child.'"

Let us resolve as we cross the threshold of the New Year that the new page given to us by our Heavenly Father shall be filled with the record of work for the advancement of His Kingdom and that so far as we are able it shall be unspotted by failures to perform the duty assigned to us in the world. There is work to do of a far different character than that known as the work of the Lodge room. In our cities, our state, our nation and in foreign lands there is a Macedonian cry, "Come and help us," and in that cry we must see the field of our real Masonic work. It is our province to build up a public opinion for the right that will be resistless, and to support with every power at our command that class of public servants who are endeavoring to formulate and execute wise laws for the good of the people. The Mexican nation has been reclaimed from barbarism by the wise and beneficent influences of our Institution and the real conquest of the Philippines will not be made by force of arms, but rather by the same influence and the same power that has subdued the turbulent elements of Mexico.

In the days that are to come when the United States shall exercise her influence among the world powers for the benefit of the oppressed people of every race, when we shall become the allies of the enlightened nations of the earth against barbarism and tyranny, then must we as Masons and citizens be prepared to uphold the strong right arm of an executive who dares to perform the duty assigned to him by the intelligent thought of a free and enlightened people.

The work of our Lodge room is but the mental discipline to prepare us for the greater work that God has definitely marked out for us in purifying our own government, and in carrying knowledge and enlightenment into the darkest corners of the earth.

May we be equal to our responsibilities and earn finally the approbation of our Divine Master, "Well done, good and faithful servant."

And now may the blessing of God be upon each and every member of this Grand Lodge, and when we return to our homes let it be with the fixed purpose of taking our part in the real work of Masonry.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,
WILLIAM A. McGONAGLE,
Grand Master.

ORATION.

Bro. Luis G. Hoffmann, Grand Orator, then delivered an able oration, which was listened to with marked attention. On motion of Bro. James D. Markham (164) a vote of thanks was tendered Bro. Hoffmann, and he was requested to hand his oration to the Grand Secretary for publication. (See Appendix for same.)

REPORT OF GRAND TREASURER.

Brethren of the Grand Lodge:

I herewith submit my report as Grand Treasurer for the term commencing Jan. 22, 1904, and ending Jan. 18, 1905.

GENERAL FUND.

Receipts.

1904.		
Jan. 22.	Cash on hand as per last report.....	\$12,084.93
April 19.	Interest from Minn. Loan & Trust Co. on \$4,000.00 certificate of deposit to April 19, 1904	71.94
Dec. 1.	Cash from beneficiary fund, not used.....	90.00
Dec. 29.	Interest from Minn. Loan & Trust Co. on \$4,000.00 certificate of deposit to Nov. 19, 1904	70.00
1905.		
Jan. 5.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	8,500.00
Jan. 18.	Cash received from Grand Secretary.....	3,122.02
Total Receipts.....		\$23,938.89

Disbursements.

No. Cash paid on the following orders since Jan. 22, 1904.		
1—Henry R. Adams, Grand Master's ex- penses		\$300.00
2—Charles J. Krueger, Grand Tiler.....		25.00
3—Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, two assistants		25.00
4—Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, con- tingent expenses.....		225.00
5—Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, of- fice rent six months.....		120.00

6—Pioneer Press Co., deficiency printing 1903	55.75
7—Irving Todd, report on correspondence...	100.00
8—Wm. S. Coombs, 200 aprons.....	24.00
9—P. S. Hendrickson, preparing rooms for Grand Lodge.....	23.50
10—Henry R. Adams, caring for Bro. C. W. Nash	270.45
11—David W. Knowlton, Grand Treasurer, for Mrs. E. C. Pierson, \$360.00; for Mrs. Alice Goodrich, \$150.00; for Bro. T. J. Lombard, \$200.00; for Bro. Albert Mar- den, \$100.00.....	810.00
12—Joseph Robillard, to reimburse Montana Lodge for burial of Bro. Albert Keith..	58.19
13—Lodge No. 91 for Mrs. David Watson....	100.00
14—Lodge No. 108 for Bro. J. E. Getman...	100.00
15—Lodge No. 118 for Mrs. Della Otis.....	100.00
16—Lodge No. 138 for Bro. L. B. Woolson.	100.00
17—Lodge No. 198 for Bro. Robert Stone...	100.00
18—Lodge No. 219 for Bro. A. J. Erickson..	100.00
19—Board of Custodians, mileage and per diem	111.52
20—David W. Knowlton, Grand Treasurer, for Widows' and Orphans' fund.....	2,000.00
21—David W. Knowlton, Grand Treasurer, for pay roll.....	2,603.10
22—Fred L. Gray Co., for Grand Treasurer bond	30.00
23—Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, sal- ary for January, February and March..	312.50
24—Pioneer Press Co., printing charters.....	70.25
25—Pioneer Press Co., printing proceedings, etc	486.00
26—Louis N. Bryant, insurance.....	16.80
27—Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, sal- ary for April and May.....	208.33
28—Louis N. Bryant, insurance.....	25.20
29—Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, sal- ary for June.....	104.67
30—Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, of- fice rent six months.....	120.00
31—Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, sal- ary for July.....	104.16
32—Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, sal- ary for August and September.....	208.34
33—Louis N. Bryant, insurance.....	25.20

34—Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, salary October, November and December.	312.50
35—Thos. Montgomery, Grand Secretary, balance office expenses 1903, \$45.51; joint agent, \$11.00; expenses and flowers for Bro. Kiester's funeral, \$16.30.....	72.81
Total payments.....	\$9,448.27
Balance in treasury Jan. 18, 1905.....	14,490.62
Total as above.....	\$23,938.89

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

Receipts.

1904.		
Jan. 22.	Balance in treasury as per last report.....	\$1,083.32
Feb. 23.	Cash from General fund.....	2,000.00
Mar. 26.	Six months' interest on Minneapolis bonds Nos. 94 and 107 to April 1, 1904.....	322.50
April 19.	Six months' interest on certificate of deposit Minn. Loan & Trust Co. to April 19, 1904..	17.99
June 29.	Six months' interest on Minneapolis bonds Nos. 108, 109, 142, 213 and 407 to July 1, 1904....	215.00
	Six months' interest on St. Louis Co. bond No. 59 to July 1, 1904.....	20.00
Sept. 30.	Six months' interest on Minneapolis bonds Nos. 94 and 107 to Oct. 1, 1904.....	322.50
Dec. 29.	Six months' interest on Minneapolis bonds Nos. 108, 109, 142, 213 and 407 to Jan. 1, 1905	215.00
	Six months' interest on St. Louis Co. bond No. 59 to Jan. 1, 1905.....	20.00
	Six months' interest on certificate of deposit Minn. Loan & Trust Co. to Oct. 19, 1904...	17.50
	Total	\$4,233.81

Disbursements.

1904.		
Feb. 23.	Cash paid for Minneapolis bond No. 407.....	\$3,286.50
	Balance in Treasury Jan. 18, 1905.....	947.31
		\$4,233.81

BENEFICIARY FUND.

Receipts.

1904.

Jan. 22. Cash received from General fund for Mrs. E. C. Pierson, \$360.00; for Mrs. Alice Goodrich, \$150.00; for Bro. T. J. Lombard, \$200.00; for Bro. Albert Marden, \$100.00.....	\$810.00
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Disbursements.

1904.

Cash disbursed in monthly installments to the above named beneficiaries.....	\$720.00
Balance not used, turned over to General fund.	90.00
	\$810.00

RECAPITULATION.

General Fund.

Cash on hand Jan. 18, 1905.....	\$14,490.62
Certificates of deposit Minn. Loan & Trust Co.....	4,000.00
Total in General fund.....	\$18,490.62

Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

Cash on hand Jan. 18, 1905.....	\$947.31
Certificate of deposit Minn. Loan & Trust Co.....	1,000.00
City of Minneapolis bond No. 94, par value.....	15,000.00
City of Minneapolis bond No. 107, par value.....	1,000.00
City of Minneapolis bond No. 108, par value.....	2,000.00
City of Minneapolis bond No. 109, par value.....	2,000.00
City of Minneapolis bond No. 142, par value.....	2,000.00
St. Louis County bond No. 59, par value.....	1,000.00
City of Minneapolis bond No. 213, par value.....	2,000.00
City of Minneapolis bond No. 407, par value.....	3,000.00

Total in Widows' and Orphans' fund.....	\$29,947.31
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Grand total in both funds.....	\$48,437.93
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Fraternally submitted,

DAVID W. KNOWLTON,

Grand Treasurer.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY.

Brethren of the Grand Lodge:

I have the honor to submit this, my sixteenth annual report as your Grand Secretary.

The usual business of the office has been promptly and faithfully attended to, I trust to your entire satisfaction. Thirteen hundred and fifty copies of last year's proceedings, including the report on correspondence, the portrait of M. W. Brother Adams and the usual statistical tables, were printed and over 1,000 copies distributed, as soon as possible after the close of the communication. Although the cost of printing has advanced, your Grand Secretary continues to have our proceedings printed by the Pioneer Press Co. in first class manner at the rate of \$1.98 per page for 1,250 copies, which includes paper, covers and binding. The usual circulars and notices have been sent out, commissions and report blanks issued to the 34 District Deputies and commissions forwarded to the Grand Representatives mentioned by the Grand Master in his address. I also received, and had the pleasure of delivering to the honored brethren named, commissions as Grand Representatives from several other Grand Jurisdictions.

Finding myself entirely out of blank charters I had 100 of a new and improved form printed on parchment, and had a charter record book made to correspond, at a total cost of \$75.50. All of the 77 charters issued since I took charge of the office in 1889, viz, of Lodges Nos. 182 to 258 inclusive, have been duly recorded, besides 23 duplicate charters issued, or 100 in all. These duplicates were issued to replace the originals destroyed by fire, of the following numbered Lodges, viz, 24, 42, 49, 52, 99, 113, 115, 119, 122, 128, 131, 132, 133, 135, 139, 144, 145, 153, 159, 162, 194, 196, and 203. I find that copies of the first 104 charters issued are recorded, but none are recorded from Nos. 105 to 181 inclusive, except as I recorded them as best I could in issuing duplicates.

Charters of the new form were prepared, and, after being duly signed and sealed, were issued to Lodges Nos. 256, 257 and 258, and delivered to the brethren appointed by the Grand Master to constitute said Lodges. Reports of the constitution thereof were duly filed in my office, together with lists of the officers installed.

Dispensations for the formation of new Lodges at Fairfax, Akeley and Bricelyn were issued as stated by the Grand Master, after the necessary preliminaries were complied with on the part of the petitioners. The Lodges at Akeley and Bricelyn have made returns of work done, have sent in their minutes for inspection, and respectfully ask that charters be granted them. The brethren at Fairfax will ask for a renewal of their dispensation.

The fact that no cases of appeal will come before you is indicative that peace and harmony prevail throughout our Grand Jurisdiction. Only one suspension and four expulsions have been reported.

The usual reduced fare has been secured from all the railroads traversing the state, on the same terms as heretofore.

Some of the Lodges are in a moribund condition, with no prospect of improvement, particularly Nos. 17, 65 and 73, which are seriously considering the matter of surrendering their charters, as they have found it impossible for two or three years to get seven members together to transact business. These are old Lodges, but in localities where the membership has been steadily moving away for years past, and no young material coming forward to take their places.

RETURNS.

Returns have been received from all the Lodges except Fairfax, U. D. Several were late in arriving, although called for at three different times, thus preventing the Grand Secretary from closing his books and preparing his reports until to-day. The usual errors are noticed, most of which have been corrected by correspondence. The most common mistake is the overpayment of forty cents and upward on dues, by pure carelessness of inexperienced secretaries in not observing instructions. However, we extend our best thanks for the willingness of Secretaries to correct errors when once pointed out. It is a pleasure to pass upon the work of painstaking Secretaries. From the returns as corrected we gather the following information:

Initiated, 1,299; passed, 1,282; raised, 1,313; joined by dimit, 419; restored, 58; total gain, 1,287. Withdrawn, 532; stricken from the roll, 236; suspended, 1; expelled, 4; died, 240; total loss, 1,013. Net gain, 774, or 52 less than last year. Present membership in our 242 chartered Lodges, 20,287; 151 show a gain, 64 a loss, while 27 stand as before; 27 Lodges did no work, 32 raised 10 or more each, including 9 which raised 20 or more, 5 which raised 30 or more, one raising 46. The 32 Lodges above referred to raised 628 out of 1,306 in the entire jurisdiction. The 21 Lodges in St. Paul, Minneapolis and Duluth raised 445, and made a net gain of 340. The greatest net gain of any Lodge is that of Ionic, No. 186, of Duluth, which was 56, but Minneapolis, No. 19, raised 8 more, or 46, as against 38 for Ionic, the next largest.

The following Lodges outside the three principal cities are entitled to special mention for work done, each Lodge having raised over 20, viz: Nicollet, No. 54, of St. Peter, with 21; Dalles, No. 181, of Cloquet, with 27, and Eveleth, No. 239, with 34.

FINANCIAL.

The receipts of the past year have been as follows, nearly all received within the past three weeks: Charter fees, Nos. 256, 257

and 258, \$75.00; dispensation fees, three new Lodges, \$60.00; arrears of dues, nine Lodges, \$11.40; relief funds of 1903, returned as unexpended from Red Wing Lodge, No. 8, \$33.00; Rochester, No. 21, \$30.91; Fidelity, No. 39, \$21.77; Mt. Hermon, No. 219, \$7.35, and Ben Franklin, No. 114, \$81.39, appropriated in 1902; fees and dues from 242 Chartered Lodges and two U. D., as shown by my cash book and tabulated statement prepared from the returns and submitted herewith, \$11,301.20, a total of \$11,622.02, for which I hold the receipts of the Grand Treasurer.

Orders have been drawn for \$658.19 in favor of the Masters of seven Lodges for the relief of several needy cases, and an order for \$810 in favor of the Grand Treasurer for four other cases as directed by the Grand Lodge. One of the latter, Eleanor C. Pierson, a beneficiary of this Grand Lodge for nearly 15 years, and the widow of my immediate predecessor, Past Grand Master and Past Grand Secretary, A. T. C. Pierson, passed to her eternal inheritance on September 25th last, aged 85 years. It would be a fitting climax to its past liberality if Grand Lodge would now expend a small sum to erect a modest stone, suitably inscribed, at the head of the unmarked graves of our illustrious brother and his amiable and beloved helpmeet, who may be truthfully styled the Father and Mother of Minnesota Masonry.

Thirty-six orders have been drawn on the Grand Treasurer for all purposes, aggregating \$9,480.87, including \$2,000.00 transferred to the Widows' and Orphans' fund. Grand Treasurer Knowlton's bond was promptly renewed at the beginning of the year and is on file in my office.

GRAND LODGE REGISTER.

No book in the office of the Grand Secretary is so valuable or so necessary for constant use and reference as the Grand Lodge Register. In it I have always taken a just pride. It is unique of its kind. I have examined quite a number of Registers in this and other English speaking countries, and have not seen anything like it, nor would I exchange our plan for any other in use, not excepting the much vaunted card plan. The present Register, which has not cost the Grand Lodge a dollar, was started by me in 1893 and is written up to include the returns of 1903. It is a book of 600 pages with 100 lines to a page, the pages being apportioned to the consecutively numbered Lodges. It contains about 42,000 names, to which must be added the 1,732 new names for 1904. These names are arranged by Lodges, in the order of admission to membership therein, with all the data as to age, occupation, birthplace, dates of receiving the degrees, and of joining by dimit and from what Lodge, and the Lodge raised in; also dates of all losses in membership and the cause thereof, so far as re-

ported in the annual returns. In short we have a duplicate of every well kept Register in the state. The first Lodge in Minnesota was started in 1849, and up to the time I took charge of the office 15 years ago last November, a period of over 40 years, the 181 Lodges organized up to that time had a membership of about 11,400, and a probable enrollment of 23,500. It will thus be seen that the present membership of 20,290, and enrollment of 43,650, is about '85 per cent greater than it was 15 years ago. The growth of many of our Lodges has been so rapid during this period, some of the old ones having more than doubled, and the enrollment in many of the then new ones having increased several fold, besides the opening of eighty new Lodges, has so taxed the capacity of the present Register, which I had figured might last for 15 years, that the space allotted to many of the Lodges has been filled to overflowing, compelling me for the past two years to insert loose leaves in order to provide a place of record for their rapidly increasing membership.

The time has therefore come, in my opinion, when new, strongly bound books should be procured, with a capacity sufficient to last from 25 to 30 years to come, and I so recommend. To transfer to these new registers all that is in the present one, which for future convenience should be done, would necessitate an outlay of some money, but when the work was completed, as it possibly could be within two years, they would be worth several times their cost, and the most valuable treasure possessed by the Grand Lodge. Only from this Register, which is in almost daily use, can information as to members be readily furnished, errors in the returns of Lodges detected and corrected, and new Lodge Registers furnished in lieu of those destroyed by fire. By it, also, the Grand Secretary is enabled readily to correct Lodge Registers sent him for that purpose, and many of them yet need such correcting. An alphabetical index of the 42,000 names already enrolled has been prepared with great care, but it also is filled in places to overflowing, so that over 100 loose leaves are already in use to supply the necessary space for names. It is equally imperative, therefore, that a new index book, or books, be procured of sufficient capacity to last as long as the new Registers. To prepare such an index is also a job of no small magnitude and will cost some money. I can assure the Grand Lodge that nothing but the necessities of the case prompt me in making these recommendations, which I believe are reasonable and in the interest of the Grand Lodge to adopt.

Insurance to the amount of \$4,000 is carried on Grand Lodge property.

For want of room in our present office, all surplus Grand Lodge proceedings have been packed in boxes and stored in another building at a nominal rental, a further safeguard against fire.

Our collars and aprons in use since 1878 are looking worn and shabby and should be replaced with a new set.

We continue to receive about 20 periodicals at our library, two of them coming from far off Australia and New Zealand.

I have assisted in laying corner stones at Windom, Duluth and Anoka, and last month attended the funeral of Past Grand Master Kiestler at Blue Earth. I was particularly attached to Brother Kiestler, as to him I was indebted for the appointment of Grand Secretary in November, 1889, to succeed Brother Pierson. I might note here that I have been present at the burial of all of our 11 deceased Past Grand Masters, except that of Brother Sherburne, the first to die, in 1868 and of 10 other Past Grand Officers.

I also was privileged to constitute Montgomery Lodge, No. 258, February 22d last, to install one of my sons Master of Midway Lodge, No. 185, for the third time, and to visit quite a number of Lodges during the year.

As a Grand Lodge we continue in terms of amity with every other English speaking Grand Lodge in the world, 65 in number, and exchange our proceedings with theirs. We also receive circulars and periodicals from Grand Lodge officials of Cuba, Porto Rico, Mexico, Brazil, Belgium, Switzerland and several other foreign jurisdictions, and send them our proceedings when requested.

In closing my report I am happy to say that my relations with the Grand Master and other Grand officers, as well as with all other brethren with whom I have come into official or personal contact, have been of the most cordial character. Profoundly thankful to one and all for the confidence reposed in me in the past and actuated by one great object, the honor and glory of Minnesota Free Masonry, I hope to continue to maintain that confidence and to earnestly work with my co-laborers for the growth and prosperity of our beloved Fraternity as long as life shall last.

THOMAS MONTGOMERY,
Grand Secretary.

That portion of the above report referring to finance was referred to the Committee on Finance, and that part referring to Grand Lodge Register and Index, to the Committee on Appropriations.

The following resolutions growing out of the report were read and referred to the Committee on Appropriations:

By Thomas C. Clark (1): *Resolved*, That the Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer and Grand Master-elect be constituted a committee to purchase the necessary books for a complete Grand

Lodge Register and the necessary index for the same, in accordance with the recommendations of the Grand Secretary in his report.

By S. L. Frazer (186): *Resolved*, That the Grand Master-elect be authorized to select and purchase suitable collars and aprons for the officers of this Grand Lodge.

By Julius A. Schmahl (91): *Resolved*, That \$100 be appropriated for the purpose of assisting in the erection of a suitable monument over the grave of Past Grand Master A. T. C. Pierson.

The following resolution, offered by Past Grand Master Henry R. Wells, was referred to the Committee on Appropriations:

Resolved, That \$100 be appropriated for the publication of the proceedings of the Minnesota Veteran Association.

On motion of Past Grand Master Henry R. Wells, the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. tomorrow was fixed as the time for the election of Grand Officers.

On motion of W. Bro. S. R. Loux (190), the Grand Secretary was directed to issue, without fee, a duplicate charter to Triune Lodge, No. 190, St. Paul, to replace the original swept from their hall and lost in the great storm of August 20th, last.

A number of petitions for relief were presented from various Lodges, also reports of relief funds expended last year, also a resolution of Bro. M. S. Mead (3), to appropriate \$25 for John J. Buckhout for preparing and cleaning up this hall, all of which were referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A communication from the Masonic Observer, Minneapolis, asking for recognition as the official paper of the jurisdiction, was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

The Grand Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment until 9 a. m. tomorrow.

SECOND DAY.

ST. PAUL, THURSDAY, Jan. 19, 1905.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 9 a. m; officers as on yesterday.

The Grand Master stated that the first order of business would be the approval of the revised Constitution of the Grand Lodge as adopted last year, whereupon, on motion of Bro. Chas. L. West (39), seconded by Bro. S. L. Frazer (186), the Grand Lodge Constitution adopted last year, as published with the proceedings of 1904, and as found in the Masonic Code of Minnesota, published in 1900, was voted upon and declared by the Grand Master to be unanimously approved, ratified and confirmed.

REPORT ON ADDRESS OF GRAND MASTER.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your committee to whom was referred the very excellent address of the M. W. Grand Master respectfully recommend:

1. That those portions relating to Invasion of Jurisdiction, Decisions, Approving By-laws, and Granting and Declaring Special Dispensations be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.
2. That that portion relating to the investing of \$3,000 be referred to the Committee on Finance.
3. That that portion relating to Dispensation for New Lodges be referred to the Committee on Lodges U. D.
4. That that portion relating to Deceased Brethren be referred to a special committee of three.

CHARLES A. BRONSON,
GEORGE E. YOUNG,
L. A. HANES,

Committee.

Adopted.

Bros. Geo. H. Davis (100), Henry R. Adams (224) and Axel Nelson (218) were appointed the Committee on Deceased Brethren.

The following resolution, signed by Past Grand Masters Griswold and Wells, was read and referred to the Committee on Appropriations:

Resolved, That the unexpended balance of \$90 for the maintenance of Mother Eleanor C. Pierson for last year be paid to her daughter, Miss Eliza B. Pierson, who for more than forty years has devoted her time and services to the care of her parents, whose lives were so largely given to our beloved institution.

REPORT OF BOARD OF CUSTODIANS.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

The Board of Custodians respectfully report that, immediately prior to the convening of this Grand Lodge, they held their annual meeting in St. Paul for the purpose of giving instruction in the established work and lectures pertaining to the several degrees, in compliance with the requirements of Section 148 of the Masonic Code, at which meeting all the members of the board were present.

There were also present at said meeting, for the purpose of receiving such instruction, 169 Master Masons, representing 104 different Lodges, as follows: Nos. 1, 3, 5, 8, 9, 11, 20, 21, 24, 26, 28, 29, 30, 33, 35, 39, 41, 58, 61, 62, 63, 78, 81, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 89, 90, 92, 93, 94, 96, 97, 99, 101, 104, 108, 109, 114, 115, 116, 117, 119, 122, 124, 126, 128, 131, 133, 134, 136, 137, 139, 140, 142, 143, 146, 148, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 158, 159, 163, 165, 167, 168, 171, 173, 178, 180, 181, 182, 184, 186, 194, 200, 201, 202, 204, 207, 208, 211, 218, 221, 224, 228, 229, 234, 238, 239, 241, 246, 247, 249, 251, 252, 255, 258. Also the U. D. Lodge at Akeley. All present manifesting a lively interest and an ardent desire to perfect themselves in the work and lectures pertaining to the several degrees.

CHAS. GRISWOLD,

Chairman.

J. H. SPROUT,

Secretary.

Concurred in.

Bro. Irving Todd submitted his report on Correspondence, which was ordered to be published as an appendix to our proceedings.

Past Grand Master E. W. Durant gave an interesting account of his recent visit to the Grand Lodge of South Carolina. He offered the following resolution, which was adopted, Bro. Irving Todd, Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of South Carolina, seconding the motion to adopt:

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge appreciate the courtesies extended to Past Grand Master, Bro. Edward W. Durant, on his

visit to the M. W. Grand Lodge of South Carolina at their recent session, and do hereby tender our thanks to said Grand Lodge for the fraternal recognition accorded to a member of this Grand Lodge.

REPORT ON DECEASED BRETHREN.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your special committee on deceased brethren would render loving and fraternal tribute to the memory of Past Grand Master Jacob A. Kiester, who was called from his earthly pilgrimage to the rest of Paradise on Dec. 13, 1904. In his annual address, as well as in the obituary notice issued immediately after the decease of Bro. Kiester, the Grand Master recounted the eminent services of our distinguished brother, and has spoken in tender and fitting terms of his virtues. Bro. Keister needs no further eulogy from this committee. His life and character have ever been open books before the fraternity and the world. He has left us the inspiration which always comes from a good man, an inspiration and influence which can never die. May he rest in peace and may light perpetual shine upon him.

To our sister jurisdictions which have been called to mourn the decease of distinguished brethren we extend our fraternal sympathy.

GEORGE H. DAVIS,
HENRY R. ADAMS,
AXEL NELSON,
Committee.

Concurred in.

The following resolution offered by Bro. E. W. Rossman (56) was referred to the Committees of Jurisprudence and Appropriations:

Resolved, That the expenses of the District Deputy Grand Masters be paid from the funds of the Grand Lodge.

REPORT ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances are pleased to report that we have had no Grievance to consider and no Appeal to determine, and your committee heartily congratulate this Grand

Lodge and the Craft upon the peace and harmony which have prevailed throughout this Grand Jurisdiction during the past Masonic year.

W. C. ODELL,
W. D. UNDERHILL,
Committee.

Concurred in.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 2 p. m.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

ST. PAUL, THURSDAY, Jan. 19, 1905.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 2 p. m.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

This being the hour fixed for the election of officers, the Grand Master appointed the following tellers to collect and count the votes: Bros. John W. Mahan (163), Chas. A. Bronson (79), M. M. Freer (57) and E. Weisenberger (171).

Ballots were distributed and collected, the Grand Secretary calling the roll of all entitled to vote. The following officers were declared duly elected:

Henry M. Tusler, St. Paul.....	M. W.	Grand Master
Thomas Morris, Crookston.....	R. W.	Deputy Grand Master
Gustaf Widell, Mankato.....	R. W.	Senior Grand Warden
William P. Roberts, Minneapolis.....	R. W.	Junior Grand Warden
David W. Knowlton, Minneapolis.....	R. W.	Grand Treasurer
Thomas Montgomery, St. Paul.....	R. W.	Grand Secretary

On the announcement of the election of Bro. Tusler as Grand Master, the eight Past Grand Masters present were appointed a committee to retire and escort the Grand Master-elect within the hall. This was done, and Bro. Tusler

at the altar was duly presented, congratulated by the Grand Master and received with the Grand Honors. The Grand Master then conducted him to the dais, where he acknowledged the honor conferred on him, in fitting terms.

While the several ballots were being counted, a number of committees reported.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

1.

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence to whom was referred that part of the address of the Grand Master relating to decisions, fraternally report that they have considered the same and find that said decisions are in conformity with Masonic law and usage, and recommend that the same be approved.

Adopted.

2.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence to whom was referred the letter of Bro. J. C. Townsend, requesting recognition of the Masonic Observer, of which he is publisher, fraternally report that we recognize in the Observer a faithful and intelligent exponent of Masonic events in this and other Grand Jurisdictions and recommend it to the favorable consideration of the Fraternity.

Adopted.

3.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence to whom was referred that part of the address of the Grand Master relating to honorary membership and exemption from dues, having considered the same, fraternally report, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That no Lodge in this jurisdiction shall in the future grant honorary membership or exempt any of its members from the payment of Lodge dues.

Resolved further, That the following provision of Section 73 of the Grand Lodge Regulations be repealed, viz: "Lodges may make by-laws exempting the Secretary, Chaplain and Tyler from the payment of dues. In such cases the Lodge shall be exempt from liability to the Grand Lodge for dues on the same."

HENRY R. WELLS,
CHARLES GRISWOLD,
HENRY R. DENNY,
A. T. STEBBINS,

Committee.

On the question of prohibiting honorary membership in the future there was some opposition by Bro. G. H. Davis and others, but finally, after a division of the first resolution and a separate vote being taken on same, the report of the committee was adopted as read, including the two resolutions. The second resolution was adopted by the necessary two-thirds vote.

4.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence to whom was referred the resolution offered at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge for 1904 (see proceedings, page 68), to amend Section 63, Article I, of the Grand Lodge Regulations, so as to make District Deputy Grand Masters members of the Grand Lodge, also the resolution submitted by Bro. Rossman at this session providing for the payment of the expenses of District Deputy Grand Masters from the funds of the Grand Lodge, fraternally report that, having considered the same, we recommend that said resolutions be not adopted.

H. R. WELLS,
CHAS. GRISWOLD,
H. R. DENNY,

Committee.

The Grand Master ruled that action would be taken separately on the two questions involved in the report. Bro. E. A. Kling (140) opposed the adoption of that part of the report referring to making District Deputies members of Grand Lodge, as did also Past Grand Master Stebbins, who offered as a substitute for that part of the report the resolution offered by him last year as above referred to. Bro. W. C. Odell (151) offered some resolutions as a substitute for the report, doing away with the District Deputy system and providing for only five districts, to be in charge severally of one of the Custodians, but his resolutions were ruled out of order. After some further discussion and suggestions, the substitute offered by Bro. Stebbins was adopted, by the necessary two-thirds vote, and on motion the rest of the report as to payment of expenses of District Deputies was laid on the table.

The amendment to Section 63 of our General Regulations as thus adopted reads as follows: Insert after the

words consecutive years, as amended in 1901, the words "District Deputy Grand Masters."

The Committee on Pay Roll were, on motion, authorized to pay the members their mileage and per diem, their report to be filed with the Grand Secretary when completed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Appropriations recommend that the following sums be appropriated from the General Fund of the Grand Lodge, for the following purposes:

Grand Master W. A. McGonagle, expenses past year.....	\$300.00
Grand Secretary, salary for 1905.....	1,250.00
Grand Secretary, two assistants this session.....	25.00
Grand Secretary, contingent expenses.....	225.00
Grand Secretary, office rent.....	300.00
Grand Tyler C. J. Kruger this session.....	25.00
Printing 1,350 proceedings of 1905, and other printing..	600.00
Board of Custodians.....	400.00
Chairman Committee on Correspondence.....	100.00
Bond of Grand Treasurer.....	30.00
Fire Insurance Premium.....	70.00
Pay Roll 1905.....	2,550.60
J. J. Buckhout, taking care of G. L. rooms.....	25.00

We further recommend the following appropriations for the relief of the Lodges named below, to be paid the Masters of the respective Lodges, and to be disbursed in accordance with their several petitions for relief:

St. Johns, No. 1, for widow of Bro. M. Shortall.....	25.00
Sakatah, No. 32, for Bro. J. Batlek and wife.....	50.00
Preston, No. 36, for Bro. J. S. Benedict and wife.....	100.00
Fidelity, No. 39, for Bro. Adrain Drost.....	100.00
Lansing, No. 72, for Bro. R. N. Green.....	50.00
Antiquity, No. 91, for widow of Bro. D. Watson.....	100.00
Unity, No. 93, for widow of S. N. Wright.....	50.00
Unity, No. 93, for Bro. A. C. Johnson.....	50.00
Relief, No. 108, for Bro. J. Getman and wife.....	150.00
Moorhead, No. 126, for widow of Bro. A. D. Scott.....	50.00
Josephus, No. 128, account search for Bro. A. N. Drake..	100.00
Orion, No. 138, for Bro. L. B. Woolson.....	100.00
Kodahya, No. 153, for widow of Bro. S. W. Chadbourne..	100.00
Marietta, No. 172, for Bro. A. H. Strain.....	100.00

Your committee further recommend the payment by the Grand Treasurer of the following amounts in quarterly installments to the following named persons:

R. W. Bro. T. J. Lombard, Hudson, Wis.....	\$200.00
R. W. Bro. Albert Marden, New Ulm.....	50.00

We also recommend that the balance of the appropriation of 1904 to Mrs. Eleanor C. Pierson, be paid to her daughter, Eliza B. Pierson.....	90.00
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For the purpose of properly marking the grave of Past Grand Master A. T. C. Pierson and his wife, to be expended by a special committee of three to be appointed by the Grand Master and with his approval..	100.00
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For assisting in the publication of the proceedings of the Minnesota Masonic Veteran Association.....	100.00
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For the purchase of new aprons, collars and jewels for the Grand Officers by a committee consisting of the Grand Master, Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary	500.00
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We further recommend in the matter of a new Grand Lodge register and index, as referred to in the report of the Grand Secretary and the resolution on the subject referred to us, that the whole subject be referred to a committee consisting of the Grand Master, Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, with authority to purchase a suitable volume for the continuation of the present register, arranged so it may be interleaved to provide for future growth unless said committee find, on examination, that the present register may be rebound so as to provide for expansion, and that the proper officers be authorized to draw warrants to cover the expenses of said committee.

We recommend that the resolution referred to us providing for the payment of the expenses of District Deputy Grand Masters be not adopted.

We further recommend that the sum of \$4,000 be transferred from the General Fund to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

WM. B. PATTON,
WM. P. ROBERTS,
A. M. HAYES,

Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Finance respectfully report that we have examined the reports, bonds and certificates of deposit, books and vouchers of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary and find that they are in good order and have been correctly kept. We find that order No. 36, drawn January 13th, to the Pioneer Press Co. for \$32.60 has not as yet been presented to the Grand Treasurer. In all other respects the balances fully agree.

We respectfully recommend that the action of the Grand Master authorizing the investment of \$3,000.00 be approved. Also that the Grand Secretary be authorized to procure and use a regular form of voucher in all bills to be presented. We further recommend that the Grand Secretary be directed to make immediate payments to the Grand Treasurer upon receipt of all remittances of Grand Lodge funds.

S. L. FRAZER,
O. S. PARKER,
J. H. SPROUT,
S. B. WILSON,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LODGES U. D.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

We have carefully examined the minutes and returns of Berry Lodge U. D. at Akeley, Hubbard county, and find that the minutes have in the main been correctly kept. The Lodge has been active in work and is well furnished and we recommend that a charter be granted.

We have also examined the minutes and returns of Truth Lodge U. D. at Bricelyn, Fairbault county, which show considerable work done, and while the minutes are not quite accurately kept, we recommend that a charter be granted and that the Constituting Officer be requested to specially instruct the Secretary in the proper manner of keeping his books.

Fairfax Lodge U. D. at Fairfax, Renville county, has not sent in either minutes or returns, so that we have nothing to act upon. We are informed, however, that some work has been done, and that they desire a renewal of their dispensation and we so recommend.

A. D. COUNTRYMAN,
JULIUS A. SCHMAHL,
G. W. C. HYDE,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT ON EXAMINATION OF VISITORS.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Examination of Visitors respectfully report that the duties assigned them have been performed to the best of their ability.

L. H. RYAN,
For the Committee.

Concurred in.

REPORT ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Unfinished Business beg leave to report that they have carefully searched for unfinished business, but can find nothing not already reported to the Grand Lodge.

EDGAR NASH,
D. M. GUNN,
G. E. BUDD,
Committee.

Concurred in.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RETURNS.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Returns respectfully report that in the absence of the other two members of the committee, the Grand Secretary very kindly came to my assistance, having already tabulated all the returns received.

We have carefully examined the same and find the following errors. A few other minor errors are not mentioned:

Returns without seal: Nos. 2, 55, 64, 96, 103, 161, 187, 204, 238. Not signed: Nos. 78, 103, 204, 207. Dues overpaid: No. 11, \$1.20; No. 14, 80 cents; No. 20, 80 cents; No. 28, \$1.20; No. 38, \$2.00; No. 55, 40 cents; No. 60, \$3.00; No. 61, 40 cents; No. 69, 80 cents; No. 78, 80 cents; No. 91, \$2.40; No. 96, 40 cents; No. 101, 80 cents; No. 102, 80 cents; No. 122, 80 cents; No. 123, \$2.00; No. 128, 80 cents; No. 131, \$1.20; No. 138, \$1.20; No. 142, 40 cents; No. 146, 40 cents; No. 150, 80 cents; No. 151, \$1.60; No. 193, 40 cents; No. 199, \$3.60; No. 200, \$1.20; No. 201, 80 cents; No. 203, \$1.20; No. 204, 40 cents; No. 205, 80 cents; No. 206, 40 cents; No. 217, 40 cents; No. 218, 80 cents; No. 220,

\$1.60; No. 226, 80 cents; No. 231, 40 cents; No. 234, 80 cents; No. 236, \$1.60; No. 237, \$2.40; No. 238, 80 cents; No. 248, \$1.20; No. 250, 40 cents; No. 251, \$2.40.

No returns have been received from Fairfax Lodge U. D.

J. T. JOHNSON,

For the Committee.

Adopted.

On motion of the Grand Secretary, the usual vote of thanks was given to the St. Paul Masonic Union for the free use of the rooms used for Grand Lodge purposes, and to the several railroads for reduced railroad fare.

The Grand Master-elect announced list of appointed officers as follows:

Elmer A. Kling, Little Falls.....	Grand Orator
Alfred G. Pinkham, Owatonna.....	Grand Chaplain
Eugene E. Swan, Stewart.....	Senior Grand Deacon
Sheldon L. Frazer, Duluth.....	Junior Grand Deacon
R. A. W. McLeod, Lake City.....	Grand Marshal
H. W. Hendrickson, Montevideo.....	Grand Standard Bearer
Edwin H. Foot, Red Wing.....	Grand Sword Bearer
William A. Nolan, Grand Meadow.....	Senior Grand Steward
W. C. Masterman, Stillwater.....	Junior Grand Steward
Charles W. Stites, Lake Benton.....	Grand Pursuivant
Chas. J. Kruger, St. Paul.....	Grand Tyler

The Grand Officers elected and appointed, except the Grand Chaplain, Grand Standard Bearer, Junior Grand Steward and Grand Pursuivant (who will be installed in their respective Lodges), were then installed into their respective offices by M. W. Bro. Wm. A. McGonagle, M. W. Bro. A. D. Countryman acting as Grand Marshal.

The Grand Master appointed the following committees:

On Correspondence—Bros. Irving Todd (7), Thomas Montgomery (54), George R. Metcalf (3).

On Returns of Lodges—Bros. J. T. Johnson (99), Julius A. Schmahl (91), C. M. Johnson (164).

On Marking Grave of Past Grand Master A. T. C. Pierson and His Wife—Bros. E. W. Durant (1), H. R. Wells (36) and I. B. B. Sprague (5).

He also appointed Bro. Wm. R. Smith (129) custodian for term of five years, to succeed himself.

No further business appearing, the Grand Lodge was closed at 6:30 p. m. in AMPLE FORM, peace and harmony prevailing.



HENRY M. TUSLER,

Grand Master.

Attest:

Thos. Montgomery

Grand Secretary.

ORATION.

BY BRO. LUIS G. HOFFMANN, ST. PAUL.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Appreciating proudly the official honor of Orator of this august body, the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, as being the biggest compliment ever received by me and acknowledging humbly that it was too big,—being cognizant of the gifted and eloquent orators whose wealth and elegance of language held the rarest gems of speech and fragrant thoughts, that gave pleasure, delight, instruction and inspiration to their listeners; I might have and should have prepared a preliminary explanation of why I, almost the youngest Craftsman among you, should presume to address you upon the God-born theme of Masonry; but, upon the advice of a wise man who once said, "Talk to the point, don't waste time upon preliminaries; leave the preliminaries till the last and then omit them altogether," I will act; and so, Most Worshipful Sir, Officers of the Grand Lodge and Brethren of the Craft, all of one blood, all of one spirit; for no matter to what party in politics, school in thought, church in religion we individually belong, there is one heart in all of us, "The heart of Masonry"—Freemasonry.

God's Mystic Temple for promoting throughout the world a higher civilization, a greater freedom, a more perfect equality of rights, and a completer realization of universal brotherhood, and we are the builders of to-day, enjoined and bade by the Supreme Architect of the Universe by Nature and the revelations with their thousand tongues, by the unperishable symbols of our beloved order to build and perpetuate that temple founded by God when he struck off the fetters of slavery and gave to his people Israel freedom and manhood that shall endure when the vagaries and vanities of life shall be strewn as wrecks upon a thousand shores; that shall endure while the thrones of tyrants shall crumble into ruins and they who sit upon them shall pass to the sepulchre of their fathers; that shall endure when the pyramids, structures and temples of the ancient nations shall have sunk beneath the march of ages and the work and workmen alike be forgotten; that shall endure until the necessity for it

shall cease; a monument, revered by man and approved by heaven, for it is constructed of principles and duties involving the relation of man to man and man to his maker, which can never be abrogated, for they are inherent in and relate to man in his twofold nature, a creature of earth and an heir of immortality.

Its corner stone is symbolized by the eternal law and truth, glory and love to God in the highest, peace on earth, good will to man, upon which rests immovable Masonry's universal religion, love and toleration, its universal philosophy, "Faith in one God and hope of a future life," its universal political creed, "Liberty, equality and brotherhood," all summed up in the great gospel of that sublime second and new commandment, given us by Jesus, the Nazarene, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself;" and as this gospel of "Love one another" grows and expands, all distinctions of belief, creed, race and caste shall become obliterated, and the only credentials that a man will need for his acceptance in this universal brotherhood shall be his manliness of character as evinced by his interest in the welfare of his fellow men, and, having such, he shall be entitled to share with us our best and build with us the Temple of Masonry; building its altars of invocation; building its tessellated ground floor for the instruction of truth and integrity; building its central chamber for the courts of science; building its Holy of Holies to illustrate the immortality of the soul and the resurrection of the body; building its columns of faith, hope and charity imperishable and immortal, the objective point of all Masonic efforts. Building for freedom; building for manhood; building for Masonry; building for eternity.

God is the Supreme Architect and Master Builder of Masonry's Temple and we are co-workers with him, and the Rough Ashlar of unorganized and unenlightened man, ignorant and helpless, blinded by superstition, defenceless through ignorance, a slave to despotism and a serf of the Church; the symbol shown to the entered apprentice in the first degree must be hammered, smoothed and polished until the Perfect Ashlar of true manhood shall appear. Thus the blind force or untrammelled will of man must be regulated by intellect, for to attack despotic wrongs or to defy unrighteous power, the will must have a brain and a law; for man's will without light, or knowledge, or intellect upholds tyrants on their throne, supports the despotism of monarchs, sustains dynasties whose priesthood usurps mighty temporal and spiritual power and keeps in public offices authorities who are unfit because despotism applies the rule; but the will of man, enlightened, regulated and guided by law and order, symbolized by the 24-inch rule, has for its fruit the Perfect Ashlar, the symbol of perfection in Masonry; liberty, equality and fraternity, the triune soul of the state, its vitality, its spirit and its intellect. Thus to the enlightened Mason the truth becomes clear and distinct

and the symbolism of the first degree is unveiled, "Freedom for mankind" and the "Enfranchisement of humanity," and, knowing this, no tyranny is ever able to destroy the spiritual and intellectual life of a Mason.

No ruler, no nation, has ever been able to keep liberty from enlightening the world. Pharaoh tried it and he and his hosts were swallowed up by the Red Sea, and Moses became the deliverer of the Israelites and made for them a law that has shaped the destinies of the world. Herod schemed by treachery and Jesus was born and his Gospel of "Equality of Men" is preached by millions of fervid and inspired tongues. Papacy claimed despotism of body and soul and the liberty of Luther's reformation thundered down the ages.

England tried it and it cut off the heads of her kings—tried it again and the dynasty of the Stuarts was forever driven from that free island.

In France they tried to suppress it and it uprooted that ancient monarchy and scattered the forces which were expected to repress it. George III. tried to throttle it and it fired at Lexington the shot that was heard around the world and the immortal Declaration of Independence was the result.

The history of all tyranny is acquisition, dismemberment, ruin. God's judgment is against all that is unjust, and his mandate to us is: "Protect the oppressed against the oppressor for the highest object of Monarchical and Apostolic ambition is to subjugate the will of others, and Masonry alone throughout all the ages has preached toleration and the right of man to abide by his own faith." But Masonry must still march in the advance guard of truth and light, for freedom is not yet universal, and ignorance and prejudice have not yet disappeared from the earth, and while these yet remain there is work for men of Masonry.

A universal order of more than two millions of Masons, with the oldest reliable history, which has stood the moral test of ages, that does not receive its laws and dogma from any civil power or church, fostered and blessed by heaven, supported and patronized centuries ago by the world's greatest and best men. Emperor Constantine; the lion-hearted Richard; Cromwell, the Protector; Garibaldi, the Liberator; Kossuth, the patriot, and the poet Burns, and thousands of others equally great all worshipped at the shrine of Masonry.

An order which had and has the support of all the reigning kings, emperors and families of the nobility of every civilized country in the world. An order which claims most of the signers of the immortal Declaration of Independence—men that made history and were the glory of Masonry—and with but a few exceptions our own presidents, from that "greatest of good men and best of great men," the immortal George Washington, to the God-fearing man, fearless Roosevelt, whose independent manhood is the triumph of Masonic

principles and Masonic pluck; whose statesmanship studies not how to conceal the truth, but how best to set it forth, and bravest to defend it; whose religion is "love and toleration," all good and true Masons.

An order suited and adapted to the tastes and inclinations of the best of all professions, all political parties, all churches and creeds, no churches, no creeds.

An order that does not consider it a favor for any man, whether he be prince or potentate, emperor or president, to apply for and receive its degrees, but claiming whoever receives its degrees is thereby himself the gainer and not the order.

Realizing all this, how do we answer to ourselves Masonically the question "Why are *we* Masons?" Have you ever asked yourself the question whether Masonry had for you, even in part, the value that is claimed for it?

Have you qualified yourself to judge of its value?

Have you earned the right to say "it is good, born of God," that it is the sanctuary wherein we learn the trinity of life, nature, art and love? You have not if you have not studied its symbols, allegories and emblems, for Masonry and its mysteries are of worth or worthless to you, according to your capacity of intellect to study their meanings. The man who becomes a Mason for mere curiosity, for business profit, for mendicant charity, for its titles, its decorations, for the distinction it is deemed to confer, or the social status it brings, without appreciating its exalted morality and the great truths of its religion, is not what God intended he should be, and disappointment will await him at every turn. But if he cares to learn that Masonry is the implacable foe of error, bigotry and intolerance; is the enemy of nihilism, socialism and anarchy, and with its grand motto of liberty, equality and brotherhood, has become a powerful factor for good in all lands, and that it wages battle in behalf of the great principles of human freedom, free government, free thought, free speech and free conscience, then he will see the necessity of being, and answer rightfully to himself "*Why we are* Masons," for when superstition and despotism, twin powers of evil, darkness and bondage, seemed invincible and immortal Masonry invented, to avoid persecutions, the ancient mysteries, that is to say, the symbols, the allegories and the emblems, and transmitted its doctrine by the secret mode of initiation. Now, retaining in part its ancient ceremonies, it displays in every country in the world its banner, upon which, in letters of living light, are written its principles and smiles at the puny efforts of kings and popes to crush it out by excommunication and interdiction; but while Masonry stands for liberty, freedom and manhood, it is the great peace society of the world. Wherever it exists it struggles to prevent international difficulties and disputes and to bind the great empires of the world into one great band of peace and amity, and it would not struggle so often in vain if Masons knew their power and valued their faith, for Masonry

is a sublime faith; it stands for the principles of peace and justice; it was acclaimed with Angel Hallelujahs on the plains of Bethlehem when Jesus was born, with "Glory to God in the highest, peace on earth, good will to man;" it was emphasized on the shores of Galilee when Jesus of Nazareth proclaimed to the world that "All men were equal before God," and it is that teaching which Masonry would preserve.

Masonry makes a nation free; makes it great; makes it useful and beneficent in the world's work. Yea Masonry united is invincible, the symbolism of the second degree, which teaches unity, the value of association, the knowledge by which men become free. Study them and you will learn that here you were consecrated to the cause of freedom of thought, speech and action among men and the truth became plain and distinct that "Man is supreme *over* institutions," not they over him, which is one of the basic principles of Masonry. But this basic principle is for him just according to his intellectual development and fitness, for the wiser a man becomes in the symbolism of the second degree the less will he be inclined to submit to fetters upon his conscience or upon his person and that same wisdom developed and guided by reason, faith and love becomes genius, and it is genius that gets the power, genius that rules with God-like power. Its power is immense because its wisdom is immense. Genius is the sun of the political sphere, force and wisdom its ministers, bringing light out of darkness. A man's intellect or genius is his very own, held direct from God. The mastery of mind over mind is the only conquest worth having. Genius and intellect fascinate; it is the homage to the invisible. This power knotted with love is the invisible chain that binds the ranks of mankind together.

Constitutions and laws without genius and intellect to govern them have dry rot and the life dies out of them by degrees. Give a nation the franchise of intellect and you give it freedom, which means the development from the Rough Ashlar of unorganized and unenlightened people to the Perfect Ashlar of harmonious government, and Masonry is God's heritage for the development of the intellect, which begets leaders who make Masonry the genius of universal institutions, making men who govern the institutions. Her children become judges, governors, presidents, kings, emperors and politicians, thereby making Masonry the universal power in the dealings and guidance of the affairs of every civilized nation of the world, for Masonry is the bulwark of the strength of the nations and men who have passed through the degrees are thereby equipped both by nature and training to champion the things that interest the nation. A Mason should be a man of profound convictions, supreme conscientiousness, indomitable will and uncompromising attitude against all wrong, for Masonry rightly

learned is the application of moral principles to the world's affairs. Thus you can see why Masonry does not open her door so wide that the whole world may enter until she becomes like other orders that sprung from her root, powerless when convulsions shake the nations; but the soul that accepts God and conscience and equal manhood, whether he comes from the orient or the occident, from monarchical Europe or democratic America, whether you call him Christian, Pagan, Catholic or Mohammedan, has this Masonic spirit, and that Freemasonry spirit of God has advanced with the progress of every age and in its fidelity to principle and devotion, to duty, it lives to-day as truly as in the days of our Aryan ancestors.

Masonry is peculiarly the genius of American institutions. America and Masonry it seems to me is synonymous in name. It calls to mind our ancestors, the Aryan race of Bactria, the founders of the universal Freemasonry, who, by their faith in their God and their principles became masters of all Europe and Southern Asia, and of that Aryan race and faith, Catholic, Huguenot, Puritan and Cavalier, came the peopling of America, and with it came Masonry's universal religion, "love and toleration," and made it the universal religion of America, and with it came Masonry's universal philosophy and it was made the universal philosophy of America, and with it came Masonry's universal political creed, liberty, equality and brotherhood, and made it the universal political creed of America and as with Masonry placed upon its altars, the Bible as its book of constitutions, the square of the law; the compass of authority; the sword of the soldier subordinate to civil power and the scales of an independent judiciary, thus making the very foundation of our constitution, that which is the basic principle of Masonry, that "Man is supreme over institutions, not they over him." God's unseen providence was stamped upon our country's history in bringing to its shores the bravest and wisest colonists of all history to construct the foundation of our country; he, knowing that the foundation must be more solid, firm and unyielding than any other portion, and so upon that Aryan and Puritan foundation the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man was safely builded our country; and heroic as was that voyage across a trackless sea to an unknown country, it was the nobler mission of our ancestors to bring those priceless seeds of principle and liberty, which have blossomed into the resplendent development and progress of a great republic. Conscience incarnate smote Plymouth Rock and from that hour there has poured forth a perennial stream of intellectual and moral force which has flooded and fertilized a broad continent. Their spirit was duty; their creed, conscience; their principle, individual freedom. The demand was organized, liberty guaranteed and regulated by the law; again the cubical stone, symbol of perfection in Masonry; and that same spirit lives for to-day as it did two centuries ago when it seemed as if our

country was to become the appanage of France, which would have meant the sway of Richelieu, of the Despot, of the Jesuit, that our forefathers dashed in pieces the gigantic ambition of monarchical France; and again when it looked as if our then new country was to belong to the proud sickly blood of Spain, which would have meant the rule of despotism, of the Bigot, the Monk, the Mass book, the thumb screw and the blood hound, that they were dashed down and driven from Frederica and our country in the very flush of their triumphant power and so it was written in God's book of destiny, that over our country should wave neither the lilies of France nor the lion and tower of Spain, but the glorious and stainless stars and stripes of the Washingtons, the ancestors of our immortal George Washington, the father of our country and the first worshipful master of free America.

Yea, Masonry is a universal institution. History does not furnish a parallel; it lives for no narrow section; it is limited to no narrow class; it has no politics, no creed, no dogma; it stands for the Catholicity of brains and the universality of good fellowship; it is a citizen of the world, the only citizen of the world, and claims fellowship with men of every race and nation who are worthy of such claims. It exists where Christianity has not gone, and its claims would be respected where those of Christianity would fail; it is never obscured by the darkness of night; the eye of day is ever upon it. Its footprints are to be traced in the most distant lands and the remotest ages of the earth. Among all civilized nations and in all christianized lands its existence is recognized. It came to our shores at a most auspicious period; it was rocked in the cradle of liberty by a Washington, a Franklin, a Hancock and a Warren. Unaffected by the tempests of war, the storms of persecution, this quiet and peaceful order, of which the son of a poor Phoenician widow was one of its Grand Masters, it still teaches to its millions of initiates the gospel of love, peace and toleration, and of reliance in God and confidence in man, which was learned when the Hebrew and Giblemite worked side by side in the quarries, and Jehovah's servants and the Phoenician worshippers sat together in council at Jerusalem; indifferent to the denunciations of fanaticism it still stands proudly in the sunshine and clear light of heaven with never a marble fractured or a pillar fallen. And why? Because it is born of God, and when we as free Masons have faith in our creed and mission as taught us by our Aryan ancestors, faith that God through his word is the human intellect and the soul or spirit which is the intellect of man is a ray of the great universal primal light of intellect, God in man indestructible and immortal, and men of faith and genius to teach and lead them, then Masonry will be what it has a right to be and what we do believe God intended it should be, a mighty and beneficent power in every civilized land, its holy empire everywhere the empire of intellect, reason, philosophy, a wise morality and a pure religion.

FREEMASONRY.

God's mystic temple dedicated to the cause of preaching the gospel of love and unselfishness, that educates in courtesy, generosity, kindness and help of all kind, let us, with the supreme architect of the universe, whether as workers in the quarries, masters in the building, or architects in grand session, labor earnestly and zealously to smooth and polish the Rough Ashlar of unorganized and unenlightened man until the Perfect Ashlar of true manhood shall appear, whose zeal shall always maintain our beloved order that has from the creation and will until eternity stimulate patriotism, strengthen virtue, and illuminate the world with the light of liberty, freedom and manhood, and within the consecrated walls of your temple may the angel of peace, prosperity and good will forever preside, and do thou, our Supreme Grand Master, in thine own good time, remove all obstacles, to the final triumph of the great law of love and the universal dominion of the true and eternal principles of Freemasonry and thine be the kingdom, the power, the dominion and the sovereignty through the infinite cycles of time and eternity. Amen.

APPENDIX A—GRAND OFFICERS.

ELECTIVE GRAND OFFICERS OF THE G. L. OF MINNESOTA, FROM ITS ORGANIZATION, FEB. 24, 1853, TO THE PRESENT TIME.

Date Installed.	Grand Master.	Deputy G.: M.: N	Senior G.: W.: N	Junior G.: W.: N	G.: Treasurer. N	G.: Secretary. N						
Feb. 24, 1853	A. E. Ames*	2	A. Goodrich*	3	D. F. Brawley*	3	A. Van Vorhes*	1	E. Case*	1	E. G. Lennon*	2
Jan. 3, 1854	A. E. Ames*	3	A. F. C. Pierson*	3	A. Van Vorhes*	3	A. T. C. Pierson*	1	E. Case*	5	H. Reynolds*	4
Jan. 5, 1855	M. Sherburne*	5	A. T. C. Pierson*	1	A. Van Vorhes*	1	A. T. C. Pierson*	2	E. Case*	1	H. Reynolds*	4
Jan. 11, 1856	A. T. C. Pierson*	5	Wm. H. Mower*	1	A. Van Vorhes*	1	A. T. C. Pierson*	4	E. Case*	7	H. Reynolds*	4
Jan. 8, 1857	A. T. C. Pierson*	5	H. M. Mower*	1	A. Van Vorhes*	1	A. T. C. Pierson*	11	E. Case*	3	H. Reynolds*	4
Jan. 27, 1858	A. T. C. Pierson*	5	D. B. Loomis*	1	A. Van Vorhes*	1	A. T. C. Pierson*	16	E. Case*	16	Geo. W. Prescotts*	19
Oct. 26, 1859	A. T. C. Pierson*	5	D. B. Loomis*	1	A. Van Vorhes*	1	A. T. C. Pierson*	19	E. Case*	19	Geo. W. Prescotts*	19
Oct. 23, 1860	A. T. C. Pierson*	5	D. B. Loomis*	1	A. Van Vorhes*	1	A. T. C. Pierson*	17	E. Case*	17	Geo. W. Prescotts*	19
Oct. 23, 1861	A. T. C. Pierson*	5	D. B. Loomis*	1	A. Van Vorhes*	1	A. T. C. Pierson*	21	E. Case*	21	Geo. W. Prescotts*	19
Oct. 23, 1862	A. T. C. Pierson*	5	E. Thompson*	9	A. Van Vorhes*	9	W. T. Rigby*	28	E. Case*	28	Geo. W. Prescotts*	19
Oct. 26, 1864	Geo. W. Prescotts*	5	H. Lindslay*	1	A. Van Vorhes*	1	A. B. Curry*	34	Geo. L. Otis*	34	A. T. Carpenter*	5
Oct. 23, 1866	Charles W. Nash.	35	E. P. Hubbell*	18	A. Van Vorhes*	18	A. J. Phelps*	39	Geo. L. Otis*	39	Wm. Combs.	5
Oct. 23, 1867	Charles W. Nash.	35	R. T. Rigby*	21	A. Van Vorhes*	21	A. R. Merrell*	40	Geo. L. Otis*	40	Wm. Combs.	5
Jan. 13, 1869	Charles W. Nash.	35	A. Jones*	28	A. Van Vorhes*	28	V. Hyde	49	Geo. L. Otis*	49	Wm. Combs.	5
Jan. 13, 1870	Charles W. Nash.	35	R. A. Merrell*	21	A. Van Vorhes*	21	V. Hyde	49	Geo. L. Otis*	49	Wm. Combs.	5
Jan. 12, 1871	Charles W. Nash.	35	C. P. Cooley*	43	A. Van Vorhes*	43	F. J. Jos.	59	Geo. L. Otis*	59	Wm. Combs.	5
Jan. 12, 1872	C. B. Cooley*	43	C. Griswold*	49	A. Van Vorhes*	49	P. Marford*	12	Geo. L. Otis*	12	Wm. Combs.	5
Jan. 15, 1873	C. Griswold*	49	N. Castle*	43	A. Van Vorhes*	43	P. Barnum*	12	Geo. L. Otis*	12	Wm. Combs.	5
Jan. 15, 1874	C. Griswold*	49	N. Castle*	1	A. Van Vorhes*	1	E. B. Cummings*	79	Geo. L. Otis*	79	E. D. B. Porter*	5
Jan. 13, 1875	C. C. Braden*	49	N. Castle*	89	A. Van Vorhes*	89	E. B. Cummings*	79	Geo. L. Otis*	79	E. D. B. Porter*	5
Jan. 13, 1876	C. C. Braden*	49	N. Castle*	18	A. Van Vorhes*	18	R. Wells*	18	Geo. L. Otis*	18	E. D. B. Porter*	5
Jan. 11, 1877	C. C. Braden*	89	E. B. Cummings*	18	A. Van Vorhes*	18	R. Wells*	39	Geo. L. Otis*	39	E. D. B. Porter*	5
Jan. 11, 1878	E. W. Durant*	89	E. W. Durant*	36	A. Van Vorhes*	36	C. J. Edgerton*	36	Geo. L. Otis*	36	E. D. B. Porter*	5
Jan. 15, 1879	Henry R. Wells.	33	H. H. Benton*	36	A. Van Vorhes*	36	C. N. Daniels*	9	Geo. L. Otis*	9	E. D. B. Porter*	5
Jan. 12, 1880	Henry R. Wells.	36	H. H. Benton*	23	A. Van Vorhes*	23	George A. Camp*	2	Geo. L. Otis*	2	E. D. B. Porter*	5
Jan. 12, 1881	Henry R. Wells.	36	H. H. Benton*	11	A. Van Vorhes*	11	H. Brown*	104	Geo. L. Otis*	104	E. D. B. Porter*	5
Jan. 11, 1882	C. H. Benton*	4	H. H. Davis.	23	A. Van Vorhes*	23	H. H. Brown*	104	Geo. L. Otis*	104	E. D. B. Porter*	5
Jan. 10, 1883	C. H. Benton*	4	H. H. Davis.	11	A. Van Vorhes*	11	R. H. Gove*	21	Geo. L. Otis*	21	E. D. B. Porter*	5
Jan. 16, 1884	Henry R. Denny	111	R. H. Gove*	21	A. Van Vorhes*	21	R. H. Gove*	21	Geo. L. Otis*	21	E. D. B. Porter*	5
Jan. 12, 1885	Henry R. Denny	111	R. H. Gove*	21	A. Van Vorhes*	21	R. H. Gove*	21	Geo. L. Otis*	21	E. D. B. Porter*	5
Jan. 13, 1886	Henry R. Denny	111	R. H. Gove*	21	A. Van Vorhes*	21	R. H. Gove*	21	Geo. L. Otis*	21	E. D. B. Porter*	5
Jan. 12, 1887	Henry R. Denny	111	R. H. Gove*	21	A. Van Vorhes*	21	R. H. Gove*	21	Geo. L. Otis*	21	E. D. B. Porter*	5
Jan. 13, 1888	Henry R. Denny	111	R. H. Gove*	21	A. Van Vorhes*	21	R. H. Gove*	21	Geo. L. Otis*	21	E. D. B. Porter*	5
Jan. 13, 1889	Henry R. Denny	111	R. H. Gove*	21	A. Van Vorhes*	21	R. H. Gove*	21	Geo. L. Otis*	21	E. D. B. Porter*	5
Jan. 17, 1889	Henry R. Denny	111	R. H. Gove*	21	A. Van Vorhes*	21	R. H. Gove*	21	Geo. L. Otis*	21	E. D. B. Porter*	5
Jan. 17, 1889	Henry R. Denny	111	R. H. Gove*	21	A. Van Vorhes*	21	R. H. Gove*	21	Geo. L. Otis*	21	E. D. B. Porter*	5
Jan. 17, 1889	Henry R. Denny	111	R. H. Gove*	21	A. Van Vorhes*	21	R. H. Gove*	21	Geo. L. Otis*	21	E. D. B. Porter*	5

APPENDIX A—Continued.

Date Installed.	Grand Master.	Deputy G. M.*	Senior G. W.†	Junior G. W.‡	G. Treasurer.	G. Secretary.	ON
Nov. 20, 1889	J. A. Kriester...	60 Alphonso Barto*...	60 W. F. Dickinson*...	91 Charles D. Boyce...	2 J. H. Thompson*...	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 17, 1890	Alphonso Barto*...	60 W. F. Dickinson*...	91 Charles D. Boyce...	2 H. C. Shepard... 18 J. H. Thompson*...	18 J. H. Thompson*...	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 15, 1891	Alphonso Barto*...	60 W. F. Dickinson*...	91 Charles D. Boyce...	2 H. C. Shepard... 18 J. H. Thompson*...	18 J. H. Thompson*...	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 14, 1892	W. F. Dickinson*...	91 C. L. Brown... 133 Charles L. West...	91 C. L. Brown... 133 Charles L. West...	39 J. D. Markham... 146 J. H. Thompson*...	79 J. H. Thompson*...	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 12, 1893	C. L. Brown... 133 J. F. Lawless...	133 J. F. Lawless...	39 J. F. Lawless...	3 A. T. Stebbins... 21 J. H. Thompson*...	21 J. H. Thompson*...	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 11, 1894	C. L. Brown... 133 J. F. Lawless...	133 J. F. Lawless...	39 J. F. Lawless...	3 A. T. Stebbins... 21 J. H. Thompson*...	21 J. H. Thompson*...	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 17, 1895	J. F. Lawless...	133 J. F. Lawless...	3 A. T. Stebbins...	21 A. Brandenburg... 99 J. H. Randall*...	99 J. H. Thompson*...	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 16, 1896	J. F. Lawless...	133 J. F. Lawless...	3 A. T. Stebbins...	21 A. Brandenburg... 99 J. H. Randall*...	99 J. H. Thompson*...	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 14, 1897	A. T. Stebbins...	3 A. T. Stebbins...	21 A. Brandenburg...	99 J. H. Randall*...	4 J. H. Thompson*...	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 13, 1898	A. T. Stebbins...	3 A. T. Stebbins...	21 A. Brandenburg...	99 J. H. Randall*...	4 J. H. Thompson*...	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 12, 1899	A. T. Stebbins...	3 A. T. Stebbins...	21 A. Brandenburg...	99 J. H. Randall*...	4 J. H. Thompson*...	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 18, 1900	A. T. Stebbins...	3 A. T. Stebbins...	21 A. Brandenburg...	99 J. H. Randall*...	4 J. H. Thompson*...	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 24, 1901	Gid S. Ives...	54 Henry R. Adams...	224 W. A. McGonagle...	54 Henry R. Adams...	54 J. H. Thompson*...	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 23, 1902	A. D. Countryman...	137 Henry R. Adams...	137 Henry R. Adams...	137 Henry R. Adams...	137 Henry R. Adams...	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 25, 1903	Henry R. Adams...	224 W. A. McGonagle...	224 W. A. McGonagle...	18 J. H. Thompson*...	18 J. H. Thompson*...	T. Montgomery...	54
Feb. 21, 1904	W. A. McGonagle...	79 Henry M. Tusler...	163 Thomas Morris...	141 D. W. Knowlton...	112 T. Montgomery...	T. Montgomery...	54
Jan. 19, 1905	Henry M. Tusler...	163 Thomas Morris...	141 Gustaf Widell...	12 D. W. Knowlton...	112 T. Montgomery...	T. Montgomery...	54

*Deceased.

†No session of Grand Lodge in 1892 or 1893.

‡Expelled.

§Withdrawn.

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APPENDIX B.—DIRECTORY OF LODGES, 1905.

Name of Lodge.	Location.	Date of Charter.	Worshipful Master.	Senior Warden.	Junior Warden.	Secretary.	Time of Meeting.
1 St. Johns.....	Stillwater.....	Feb. 24	'53 W. C. Masterman.....	Fred W. Gail.....	Wm. G. Bronson, Jr.....	Frank P. Burleigh.....	1 and 3 Mon.
2 Cataract.....	Minneapolis.....	" 24	'53 Edward E. Nicholson.....	Frank L. Gowen.....	Joseph L. Fournie.....	W. H. J. Pearce.....	1 Sat.
3 St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	" 24	'53 Fred G. Dustin.....	Milton S. Mead.....	J. C. Whitacre.....	Paul S. Hendrickson.....	1 Fri.
4 Hennepin.....	Minneapolis.....	Jan. 24	'54 Fred G. Dustin.....	John L. Bullis.....	Henry W. Smollett.....	Henry S. Mead.....	2 and 4 Wed.
5 Ancient Landmark.....	St. Paul.....	" 24	'54 Lawrence Hope.....	John K. Robinson.....	Ben. K. Edwards.....	M. T. Emery.....	2 and 4 Ths.
6 Dakota.....	Hastings.....	" 24	'54 John E. Olson.....	L. M. Kadabaugh.....	J. L. Stoudt.....	G. A. Emerson.....	2 and 4 Wed.
7 Red Wing.....	Red Wing.....	" 24	'54 J. E. Shedd.....	C. B. Johnson.....	W. R. Putnam.....	G. H. Diepenbrock.....	1 Mon.
8 Faribault.....	Faribault.....	Oct. 26	'55 J. F. Lindeman.....	Levi Spurbeck.....	W. H. Robilliard.....	D. E. Goodman.....	2 and 4 Mon.
9 Mantorville.....	Mantorville.....	Jan. 6	'57 J. M. F. Cooper.....	Fred L. Searing.....	F. L. Kurth.....	J. E. Burdick.....	2 and 4 Tues.
10 Mankato.....	Mankato.....	" 6	'57 Samuel B. Wilson.....	Herbert N. Clary.....	Frank W. Bates.....	Wm. F. Jensen.....	2 and 4 Sat.
11 Wapahass.....	Wabasha.....	" 6	'57 M. W. Dady.....	J. R. Brown.....	Archie Carrier.....	A. J. Stone.....	1 and 3 Mon.
12 Monticello.....	Monticello.....	" 6	'57 Chas. D. Keene.....	J. D. Becker.....	Bert M. Barker.....	W. E. T. Crozier.....	1 and 3 Tues.
13 Hokah.....	Hokah.....	" 8	'57 Levi T. Lyon.....	J. L. Krogstad.....	A. I. Saure.....	W. S. Moe.....	1 and 3 Tues.
14 Winona.....	Winona.....	" 8	'57 S. S. Strouse.....	A. F. Pray.....	F. E. Gartside.....	J. J. Hillmer.....	1 and 3 Tues.
15 Minneapolis.....	Minneapolis.....	" 7	'58 George E. Young.....	H. Franklin.....	F. A. M. Chesher.....	H. M. Myers.....	1 and 3 Wed.
16 Caledonia.....	Caledonia.....	" 7	'58 O. K. Dahle.....	O. C. Heyerdale.....	C. L. Metcalf.....	E. H. Snure.....	2 and 4 Wed.
17 Rochester.....	Rochester.....	" 8	'58 T. H. Bliss.....	O. C. Heyerdale.....	J. G. Parry.....	F. W. Churchhill.....	2 and 4 Mon.
18 Pleasant Grove.....	Pleasant Grove.....	" 8	'58 John Harwood.....	C. L. Denny.....	Wm. Smith.....	F. W. Nutting.....	1 and 3 Tues.
19 North Star.....	St. Cloud.....	" 8	'58 Arthur L. Graburn.....	Alfred H. Gates.....	A. H. Leimbacher.....	John C. Munro.....	2 and 4 Mon.
20 Wilton.....	Alma City.....	" 8	'58 John H. Elmore.....	Wm. Schreiber.....	Wm. M. Griffith.....	H. E. Gates.....	1 and 3 Ths.
21 Western Star.....	Albert Lea.....	Oct. 27	'58 L. A. Hanes.....	N. C. Sorenson.....	H. C. Higgins.....	O. J. Wulf.....	2 and 4 Wed.
22 Blue Earth Val'y.....	Winn'boro City.....	" 27	'58 Frank E. Cady.....	George Smythe.....	Walter G. Courtney.....	J. H. Sherin.....	1 and 3 Tues.
23 Clear Water.....	Clear Water.....	" 27	'58 Fred W. Hyatt.....	A. A. Traiton.....	W. F. Hathaway.....	Chas. M. Stevens.....	1 and 3 Sat.
24 Morning Star.....	La Crescent.....	" 27	'58 A. Lilly.....	W. M. Selby.....	W. L. Emly.....	F. R. Smith.....	1 and 3 Sat.
25 Anoka.....	Anoka.....	" 26	'59 Oliver F. Warnes.....	P. G. Woodward.....	John P. McGinty.....	Frank Hart.....	2 and 4 Fri.
26 King Hiram.....	Jordan.....	" 24	'60 W. H. Phillips.....	Jacob Edelman.....	Chas. E. Morrell.....	H. A. Engler.....	2 and 4 Sat.
27 Sakatah.....	Waterville.....	" 24	'60 P. J. Farrington.....	Willis Clay.....	F. W. Birch.....	Wm. J. Berner.....	1 and 3 Sat.
28 Star in the East.....	Owatonna.....	" 24	'60 P. J. Kunz.....	A. G. Pinkham.....	H. W. Vinton.....	P. G. Swanson.....	2 and 4 Wed.
29 Cannon Falls.....	Cannon Falls.....	" 24	'60 Andrew McKenzie.....	Edward A. Dibble.....	Wm. E. Poe.....	Levi Manning.....	1 and 3 Wed.
30 Mount Moriah.....	Hastings.....	" 24	'60 C. E. Reed.....	C. L. Bonwell.....	W. G. Matteson.....	S. B. Rude.....	1 and 3 Mon.
31 Preston.....	Preston.....	" 23	'61 John W. Hopp.....	Elmer H. Cummings.....	Alfred C. Olson.....	Wm. R. Wells.....	2 and 4 Wed.
32 Mystic Tie.....	Pine Island.....	" 23	'61 Chas. L. Parham.....	I. A. McDougal.....	W. D. Hayward.....	James Finnegan.....	2 Wed.
33 Washington.....	West Concord.....	" 23	'61 C. S. Dav.....	H. R. Kaslow.....	David Holz.....	L. W. Andrist.....	2 and 4 Sat.
34 Fidelity.....	Austin.....	" 23	'63 William Todd.....	M. O. Anderson.....	Geo. A. Dutcher.....	John H. Anderson.....	1 and 3 Wed.
35 Carnelian.....	Lake City.....	" 23	'63 W. J. Elgswold.....	A. W. Corwin.....	W. J. Lowie.....	L. S. Lutz.....	2 and 4 Tues.
36 Hemon.....	Zumbrota.....	" 23	'63 F. W. Fulkerson.....	T. R. Watson.....	I. L. Williams.....	D. S. Scofield.....	1 and 3 Tues.
37 Hope.....	Glencoe.....	" 23	'63 Harold Nelson.....	Elwin B. Greaves.....	Orlando Simons.....	C. V. Carson.....	1 and 3 Sat.

APPENDIX B.—DIRECTORY OF LODGES, 1905.—Continued.

Name of Lodge.	Location.	Date of Charter.	Worshipful Master.	Senior Warden.	Junior Warden.	Secretary.	Time of Meeting.
43 Harmony	Lewiston	Oct.	L. J. Baldwin.	John F. Madden.	B. S. Blanchard.	Aug. N. Johnson.	1 and 3 Mon.
44 King Solomon	Shakopee	28 '83	L. J. Baldwin.	John F. Madden.	B. S. Blanchard.	C. C. Storer.	2 and 4 Wed.
45 Union	Le Sueur	28 '83	H. O. Smith.	M. B. Merrill.	Wm. Schmokel.	Geo. W. Taylor.	1 and 3 Tues.
46 Evergreen	Clyde	28 '84	H. O. Smith.	N. B. Curtis.	W. H. Tomlinson.	H. B. Clawson.	1 and 3 Sat.
47 Concord	Cleveland	28 '84	N. G. Bain.	N. Becksted.	J. C. Henry.	Wm. Van Antwerp.	1 and 3 Sat.
48 Social	Northfield	28 '84	George Simpson.	W. C. Davis.	M. A. Hill.	D. D. Turner.	1 and 3 Mon.
49 Rising Sun.	St. Charles.	26 '84	W. C. Barnard.	J. M. Walden.	D. J. Baldwin.	R. A. Johnson.	1 and 3 Mon.
50 Watertown	Watertown	28 '85	Edw. C. Bear.	Emil W. Henbach.	George K. Smith.	C. C. Halgren.	1 and 3 Ths.
51 Acacia	Cottage Grove.	28 '85	E. E. Shrader.	H. A. Malsed.	J. C. Van Krevlen.	Peter Thompson.	1 and 3 Ths.
52 Cannon River.	Monticello	28 '85	George Molm.	Louis J. Crippen.	J. A. McHattie, Jr.	George M. Evenson.	1 and 3 Tues.
53 Nicotlet	St. Peter.	28 '85	James Bennett.	H. W. Donaldson.	Samuel R. Miller.	Hoyt D. Widrick.	1 and 3 Tues.
54 Zion	Taylor's Falls.	24 '86	Edward H. Folsom.	Charles H. Clark.	John Holmberg.	George M. Evenson.	1 and 3 Tues.
55 Meridian	Chattfield	28 '86	Joseph Underleaf.	Eugene E. Blanding.	Lucius W. Snell.	Geo. W. Seymour.	1 and 3 Wed.
56 Blue Earth City.	Blue Earth.	28 '86	Maynard M. Freer.	Chas. L. Thurbet.	C. W. Heydow.	Wm. H. Sisbee.	1 and 3 Sat.
57 Spring Valley	Hutchinson	28 '86	George M. Warren.	Jacob N. Nicholson.	Elmer E. Douglass.	E. R. Butterfield.	1 and 3 Sat.
58 Temple	Spring Valley	28 '86	Merton S. Goodnow.	Burdette Thayer.	Chas. E. Lawrence.	S. C. Patridge.	1 and 3 Tues.
59 Star in the West.	Sauk Centre.	28 '86	Harold L. Lamb.	S. G. Anderson, Jr.	Percy E. Avery.	Geo. H. Sivright.	1 and 3 Tues.
60 Ashler	Eyota	28 '86	R. C. Dugan.	Chas. A. Morse.	Arthur W. Austin.	Philoman Lamb.	1 and 3 Tues.
61 Histrrious	Rockford	28 '86	Chas. Bugbee.	R. R. Rhames.	Wm. Sykes.	Geo. H. Bush.	1 and 3 Mon.
62 Chain Lake.	Plainview	28 '86	Jay F. Thompson.	Wm. Jacobs.	E. E. Darraw.	Geo. O. Crandall.	1 and 3 Tues.
63 Golden Rule.	Farmont	28 '86	A. A. Horton.	Harry D. Smith.	A. C. Cornwell.	Lee T. Meacham.	1 and 3 Tues.
64 Madella	Lakeland	28 '86	C. V. Holmstrom.	Wm. Bird, Jr.	A. C. H. Patsche.	J. G. Mitchell.	1 and 3 Tues.
65 Corinthian	Farmington	28 '86	Frank L. Mullen.	Henry C. Tyler.	A. A. Davis.	Albert Dickinson.	1 and 3 Tues.
66 Mystic Star.	Rushford	28 '86	C. B. Whittier.	Geo. A. Baldwin.	J. R. Day.	Luther M. Pomeroy.	1 and 3 Wed.
67 Lansing	New Painsville	15 '89	Henry A. Wells.	A. K. Gray.	Chas. W. Rockwell.	H. H. Judson.	1 and 3 Tues.
68 Brownsville	Brownsville	15 '89	O. C. E. McCan.	W. A. Huntington.	Thos. C. Johnston.	Albert A. Bugbee.	1 and 3 Tues.
69 Eureka	La Roy	15 '89	Chas. S. Harden.	George Weber.	Lee O. Thompson.	John Thompson.	1 and 3 Tues.
70 Tuscan	Good Thunder.	15 '89	Chas. R. Ulrich.	Frank W. Whitcomb.	Foster L. Roy.	E. M. Winslow.	1 and 3 Tues.
71 Mystic Circle.	Houston	15 '89	Chas. A. Smith.	Oscar M. Reynolds.	Wm. B. Falancer.	Robt. O. Eberhart.	1 and 3 Tues.
72 Palatine	Duluth	12 '90	Guy A. Eaton.	Ralph D. Garland.	E. C. Goodspeed.	O. J. Lawson.	1 and 3 Tues.
73 Henderson	Henderson	12 '90	A. L. Roehler.	S. B. McIntire.	E. E. Dorval.	J. E. Redding.	1 and 3 Tues.
74 Constellation	Alexandria	12 '90	E. A. Hensel.	R. Schwartz.	Chas. A. Crawford.	Henry Nesbit.	1 and 3 Mon.
75 Howard	Howard Lake.	12 '90	H. H. Wager.	H. H. Gannan.	F. H. Pfeifer.	A. C. Buck.	1 and 3 Tues.
76 Huron Abi.	Kasson	12 '90	J. H. McCaughey.	T. E. Utterback.	J. W. Custer.	J. I. Volker.	1 and 3 Tues.
77 Edgar O. Wilson.	Edgar O. Wilson.	12 '90	J. H. McCaughey.	T. E. Utterback.	J. W. Custer.	J. I. Volker.	1 and 3 Tues.

84	Orient Forest.....	Money Creek.....	Jan.	71	Taylor Robinson.....	Fred Wheeler.....	G. M. Carey.....	F. C. Perkins.....	1 and 3 Sat.
85	High Forest.....	High Forest.....	"	71	E. H. Englehart.....	H. I. Day.....	H. N. Lewis.....	E. G. Armstrong.....	1 and 3 Sat.
86	Tyran.....	Maexpa.....	"	71	John McCabe.....	A. R. Hawkinson.....	E. L. Munger.....	W. A. Munger.....	1 and 3 Sat.
87	Doric.....	Wells.....	"	71	R. F. Drake.....	C. M. Miller.....	T. M. Mott.....	W. A. Klawisch.....	1 and 3 Sat.
88	Golden Fleece.....	Litchfield.....	"	72	Jonathan W. Wright.....	Stanly C. Boom.....	N. E. F. Anderson.....	Aug. T. Koerner.....	1 and 4 Fri.
89	Good Faith.....	Jackson.....	"	72	John Burnham.....	H. M. Burnham.....	C. F. Heber.....	W. D. Hornberg.....	1 and 3 Wed.
90	Antiquity.....	Redwood Falls.....	"	72	Wm. R. Caswell.....	C. V. Everett.....	E. L. Peabody.....	O. E. Dornberg.....	1 and 3 Wed.
91	Fraternal.....	Princeton.....	"	72	B. D. Grant.....	L. L. Sartell.....	T. L. Armitage.....	F. C. Keith.....	1 and 3 Wed.
92	Unity.....	Sank Rapids.....	"	72	L. L. Grant.....	H. F. Wright.....	M. L. Miller.....	C. H. Dill.....	1 and 3 Sat.
93	Keystone.....	Steep Eye.....	"	72	Thos. F. Addy.....	F. S. Rhodes.....	C. J. Hansen.....	T. F. Talbot.....	1 and 3 Sat.
94	Sherburne.....	St. James.....	"	72	Fred D. Waterman.....	John Bither.....	Peter Nelson.....	H. B. Nickerson.....	1 and 3 Tues.
95	Libanus.....	St. James.....	"	72	M. C. Fosson.....	R. H. Burnes.....	N. C. Beir.....	T. B. Nickerson.....	1 and 3 Tues.
96	Prudence.....	Windom.....	"	72	Nels Anderson.....	F. F. French.....	F. J. Carpenter.....	C. Ellsworth.....	1 and 3 Tues.
97	Charity.....	Bergus Falls.....	"	72	E. T. Critchett.....	John F. Siegel.....	Wm. B. Mather.....	R. E. Schmidt.....	1 and 3 Wed.
98	Corner Stone.....	New Uin.....	"	72	C. L. Hilton.....	N. F. Field.....	C. J. Sawbridge.....	G. F. Mitchell.....	1 and 3 Wed.
99	Corona.....	Brainerd.....	"	72	Irvid Wright.....	Geo. O. Whitney.....	John P. Anderson.....	M. G. Fellows.....	1 and 3 Wed.
100	Fraternity.....	Worthington.....	"	72	Wilson Ager.....	R. C. Bloom.....	C. M. Crandall.....	M. G. Fellows.....	1 and 3 Wed.
101	Lebanon.....	Lanesboro.....	"	72	F. M. Bean.....	R. C. Sackett.....	F. A. Drake.....	C. G. Davis.....	1 and 3 Mon.
102	Bethel.....	Lake Crystal.....	"	72	D. H. Edwards.....	P. D. Neff.....	I. C. James.....	S. Berknes.....	1 and 3 Mon.
103	Sharon.....	Willmar.....	"	72	H. F. Phillips.....	C. Wackman.....	E. F. Harris.....	Chas. C. Sturtevant.....	1 and 3 Fri.
104	Mt. Tabor.....	Detroit.....	"	72	Gustave Crail.....	A. S. Palmerlee.....	H. A. Sterling.....	R. W. Gamshy.....	1 and 3 Sat.
105	Relief.....	Dodge Center.....	"	72	George A. Parks.....	John Peterson.....	G. D. Moyer.....	R. A. Whitmore.....	1 and 3 Sat.
106	Sunset.....	Montevideo.....	"	72	Wm. H. Harrington.....	E. A. Gross.....	H. W. Stedman.....	Thos. B. Rand.....	1 and 3 Sat.
107	Pickwick.....	Pickwick.....	"	72	Jacob Brattle.....	Geo. C. E. Goetze.....	C. A. Franzen.....	O. C. Brundis.....	1 and 3 Sat.
108	Carver.....	Minneapolis.....	"	72	S. B. Washburn.....	O. E. F. Smith.....	F. W. Webber.....	D. W. Kowloon.....	1 and 3 Fri.
109	Excelsior.....	Laverne.....	"	72	Byron D. Wilson.....	Miles S. Thurber.....	Walter W. Maynard.....	Clarence E. Prince.....	1 and 3 Mon.
110	Ben Franklin.....	Elgin.....	"	72	R. L. Wood.....	Chas. A. Palmer.....	Chas. J. Martin.....	Samuel C. Rea.....	1 and 3 Fri.
111	Lafayette.....	Brownsdale.....	"	72	A. B. Warren.....	C. E. Richmond.....	F. O. Tanner.....	W. V. Foster.....	1 and 3 Sat.
112	Newport.....	Granite Falls.....	"	72	I. G. Johnson.....	S. C. Hawkins.....	C. E. Wheaton.....	W. J. Rice.....	1 and 3 Sat.
113	Delta.....	Newport.....	"	72	Jas. C. Burchard.....	W. R. Sawyer.....	J. W. Baner.....	H. A. Dunsand.....	1 and 3 Mon.
114	Grand Meadow.....	Marshall.....	"	72	George A. Correll.....	S. E. Whitmore.....	Chas. W. Hicks.....	Ernest S. Shepard.....	1 and 3 Wed.
115	Kellogg.....	Prairie.....	"	72	H. W. Canfield.....	Claud Mogreen.....	Philip T. Elliott.....	Wm. R. Peyton.....	1 and 3 Fri.
116	Bloomg.....	Janesville.....	"	72	E. E. Norton.....	F. C. Whittsey.....	H. E. Wolfe.....	Fred W. Hener.....	1 and 3 Sat.
117	Winslow Lewis.....	Osseo.....	"	72	D. W. Norris.....	Fred Fiederman.....	M. J. Ryan.....	W. L. Bucksen.....	1 and 3 Tues.
118	Moorehead.....	Mapleton.....	"	72	Wm. J. Awty.....	Leon W. Hyde.....	Wm. H. Merritt.....	L. D. Rogers.....	1 and 3 Tues.
119	Benson.....	Lytle.....	"	72	H. I. Crooks.....	Wilbert Falls.....	Wm. H. Merritt.....	L. D. Rogers.....	1 and 3 Tues.
120	Young America.....	Morris.....	"	72	Julius W. Truwe.....	John A. Bachmann.....	Geo. W. Lühring.....	Hugh M. Wolfe.....	1 and 3 Tues.
121	Humboldt.....	Cokato.....	"	72	Willis E. Corkins.....	John A. Linne.....	Geo. M. Anderson.....	E. R. Aldrich.....	1 and 3 Tues.
122	Nelson.....	Buffalo.....	"	72	Wm. H. Cutting.....	Alfred E. Sturges.....	Henry Vogler, Sr.....	E. M. Lambert.....	1 and 3 Sat.
123			"	72			Wm. H. Reed.....	Nels Olson.....	1 and 3 Tues.
124			"	72			Edward E. Covey.....	John A. Eklund.....	1 and 3 Tues.
125			"	72				Sylvester R. Wells.....	2 and 4 Sat.

APPENDIX B.—DIRECTORY OF LODGES, 1905.—Continued.

No.	Name of Lodge.	Location.	Date of Charter.	Worshipful Master.	Senior Warden.	Junior Warden.	Secretary.	Time of Meeting.
136	Walnut	Walnut Grove.	Jan. 15, '79	D. O. Bule.	T. L. Clark.	D. Dailey	A. Swoffer	1 and 3 Tues.
137	Appleton	Appleton	" 14, '80	G. Kivley	H. K. Young.	F. J. Skillman	P. Wang	2 and 4 Sat.
138	Onion	Alvendale	" 14, '80	H. W. Jones	Jens A. Walin.	Oscar H. Larson.	F. Deimball	2 and 4 Sat.
139	Verndale	Verndale	" 14, '80	Geo. W. Empey.	H. M. Henderson.	A. Hazleton	Geo. E. Merrill	1 and 3 Tues.
140	Little Falls	Little Falls	" 14, '80	F. E. Lewis.	F. W. Lyons.	E. S. Stanton	Geo. E. McIntyre	1 and 3 Tues.
141	Crookston	Crookston	" 14, '80	W. G. Lytle.	D. F. Fokett.	W. G. Munch.	H. R. Robertson	2 and 4 Tues.
142	Currie	Currie	" 12, '81	Lewis G. Gates.	Fredk. G. Meyer.	Chas. H. Cooper.	Leonard B. Sage	1 and 3 Mon.
143	Lakeview	Ortonville	" 12, '81	Emmer N. Morrill.	O. H. Keefe.	John C. Hensch	Hayden French	1 and 3 Mon.
144	Bird Island	Bird Island	" 12, '81	J. H. Reiter.	John H. Krogstad.	J. H. Cawood.	K. E. Hamlin	2 and 4 Tues.
145	McElrose	McElrose	" 12, '81	W. B. Whitney	P. A. Hickey	J. H. Cawood.	John McKenzie	2 and 4 Tues.
146	Benton	Lake Benton	" 12, '81	Henry Potter	Warren T. Evans	Julius E. Vanstrom.	Martin S. Nelson	1 and 3 Sat.
147	Canby	Canby	" 11, '82	Samuel Lewison	Geo. F. Sellers	C. J. Sigmond	O. S. Taylor	1 and 3 Sat.
148	Quarry	Pipestone	" 11, '82	E. H. Argetsinger	Geo. F. Sellers	C. J. Sigmond	O. S. Taylor	1 and 3 Sat.
149	Guardian	Brownston	" 11, '82	Peter B. Jensen	Joseph H. Geroy	Martin Ewald	James Bohn	1 and 3 Mon.
150	Warren	Warren	" 11, '82	Douglas Farrell	Chas. L. Stevens	Richard C. Mathwig	Thorvald Morck	1 and 3 Wed.
151	Chaska	Chaska	" 10, '83	W. C. Odell	M. M. Malm	Ed. Salter	K. K. Klammer	2 and 4 Wed.
152	Frontier	Breckenridge	" 10, '83	O. E. Todd	T. F. Knudson	H. P. Zimmerman	Joseph Gunn	1 and 3 Tues.
153	Kodahya	Browns Valley	" 10, '83	G. S. Lines	S. J. Gordon	Otto Weygand	A. W. Mitton	1 and 3 Tues.
154	Norman	Ada	" 10, '83	Peter Sharpe	A. C. Gerner	Andrew Craik	G. Kittelson	2 and 4 Tues.
155	Tracy	Tracy	" 10, '83	James R. Crystal	Samuel S. Truax	Geo. W. Norris, Jr.	Chas. J. Berdan	1 and 3 Wed.
156	Wadena	Wadena	" 10, '83	John Liddell	Wm. Dower	Wm. Wilson	U. G. Boyer	1 and 3 Fri.
157	Perham	Perham	" 15, '84	L. Sawyer	H. S. Pritchett	H. Koentzler	L. E. Davison	2 and 4 Tues.
158	Hector	Hector	" 15, '84	A. M. Engstrom	G. W. Anderson	H. L. Forbenson	W. B. Strom	2 and 4 Mon.
159	Long Prairie	Long Prairie	" 14, '85	B. F. Van Valkenburg	W. A. Barto	M. C. Tift	R. H. Harkens	2 and 4 Fri.
160	Plymouth	Minneapolis	" 14, '85	Geo. V. B. Hill	F. H. McCuskey	Geo. W. Armstrong	Geo. W. Hall	1 and 3 Mon.
161	Sincerity	Villard	" 14, '85	Wm. Kerr	A. E. Clark	A. C. Morse	D. W. Shear	1 and 3 Tues.
162	Prescott	Herman	" 14, '85	A. W. Wells	J. B. Record	N. J. Bothur	S. T. McDowell	1 and 3 Fri.
163	Summit	St. Paul	" 14, '85	John W. Mahan	H. P. Fahnestock	John Wade	Robert B. Ware	1 and 3 Sat.
164	Jasper	Rush City	" 13, '86	Curtis M. Johnson	Chas. E. Elmqvist	Benj. F. Smith	J. D. Markham	2 and 4 Tues.
165	Minnehaha	Minneapolis	" 13, '86	I. O. Dahl	Thos. W. Allen	R. E. Pelton	H. S. Goff	2 and 4 Tues.
166	Garnet	White Bear	" 13, '86	James C. Fulton	C. L. Clark	C. E. Davies	T. W. Bacon	2 and 4 Thurs.
167	Agate	Canby	" 13, '86	J. W. Noffsinger	E. E. Nadau	John Cassidy	W. H. Annis	1 and 3 Wed.
168	Braden	St. Paul	" 12, '87	James Schoonmaker	Chas. L. Tracy	Max Dyer	Geo. W. Heaton	1 and 3 Thurs.
169	Pierston	Barnesville	" 12, '87	O. J. Aamodt	M. D. Hawver	Geo. L. Mellett	C. E. Howland	1 and 3 Tues.
170	Fulda	Fulda	" 12, '87	Emil King	John R. Price	C. F. Coburn	Wm. D. Sparr	1 and 3 Tues.
171	Shekman	St. Paul	" 12, '88	E. Weisenberger	E. A. Thiem	E. J. Southern	Chas. S. Schurman	1 and 3 Mon.
172	Marietta	Marietta	" 12, '88	H. M. Griffin	C. A. Durkee	E. C. Sommermeyer	C. J. Orton	2 and 4 Thurs.

173	Plumb Line.....	Kimball	Geo. E. Sherwood.....	J. G. Reeves.....	Nelson Sutton.....	2 and 4 Sat.
174	Valley.....	Greenwood	John Jeffers, Jr.....	James Crozier.....	W. A. Simonton.....	1 and 3 Tues.
175	Roman Eagle.....	Adrian	A. O. Hendricks.....	Peter Weise.....	H. E. Swanman.....	1 and 3 Wed.
176	Ark.....	Minneapolis	Chas. C. Kramer.....	Albert C. Weamer.....	Eugene C. Noyes.....	1 and 3 Mon.
177	Rough Ashlar.....	Belle Plaine.....	W. N. Southworth.....	W. W. Woehler.....	H. I. Chard.....	2 and 4 Wed.
178	Anchor.....	Mayfield	E. S. Foote.....	W. L. McGonigle.....	C. F. Conner.....	2 and 4 Sat.
179	King David.....	Elmore.....	C. N. Burton.....	W. H. Meeker.....	A. M. Schanche.....	1 and 3 Tues.
180	Osakis.....	Osakis	C. H. Bronson.....	W. H. Meeker.....	E. R. Ruggles.....	2 and 4 Tues.
181	Dalles.....	Cloquet	John E. Atkins.....	W. H. Meeker.....	H. D. Stevens.....	1 and 3 Tues.
182	Fairhaven.....	Annandale	J. J. Wooster.....	F. E. Coolbaugh.....	W. D. McDonald.....	1 and 3 Sat.
183	Shell.....	Park Rapids	Lincoln H. Gates.....	Irving B. Kenney.....	Leonard H. Rice.....	2 and 3 Tues.
184	Midway.....	St. Paul	Chas. E. Collet.....	Chas. N. Orr.....	E. L. Allard.....	1 and 3 Fri.
185	Ionian.....	Duluth	A. S. Wakeman.....	John Cox.....	H. D. Tolman.....	2 and 4 Mon.
186	John Suggitt.....	Belgrade	Leon W. Mixer.....	Wm. H. Ronald.....	J. D. Tolman.....	2 and 4 Mon.
187	Arcana.....	Two Harbors.....	Henry K. Gillon.....	John W. Woodfill.....	W. B. Woodward.....	2 and 4 Wed.
188	Fortitude.....	Wheaton	G. K. Kristensen.....	G. P. Erickson.....	Stephen Hopkins.....	2 and 4 Tues.
189	Traverse.....	St. Paul	G. H. Sharp.....	A. Maynard.....	A. L. Williams.....	1 and 3 Tues.
190	Mizpah.....	St. Paul	F. W. Wentworth.....	W. S. Shepard.....	J. W. Creath.....	1 and 3 Tues.
191	Crow River.....	Belgrade	J. W. Schmidt.....	Geo. O. Ellingboe.....	C. M. Iverslie.....	1 and 3 Tues.
192	Ambony.....	Canton	Chas. Vail.....	G. W. Marks.....	J. J. Moyer.....	1 and 3 Tues.
193	Canton.....	Renville	S. M. McIntosh.....	G. W. Wilford.....	Murray Fargo.....	2 and 4 Tues.
194	Geneva.....	Madison	H. B. Hurd.....	E. M. Clay.....	L. E. Lambert.....	1 and 3 Tues.
195	Vermillion.....	Tower	W. H. Congdon.....	Jas. H. Hayden.....	S. E. Farham.....	1 and 3 Tues.
196	Enclid.....	Slayton	Wm. J. Darby.....	O. Wiseman.....	W. H. McQuade.....	1 and 3 Tues.
197	Murray.....	Springfield	A. D. Smith.....	Harry W. Lanners.....	Andrew Dunleavy.....	1 and 3 Wed.
198	Zemith.....	Dawson	John R. Schmid.....	W. W. Baker.....	S. B. Swiningson.....	1 and 3 Sat.
199	Aeller.....	Kenyon	E. H. Marshall.....	James Dickson.....	Wm. F. Runck.....	1 and 3 Sat.
200	St. Elmo.....	Stewartville	A. A. Stensrud.....	Edmund Backe.....	O. Steilhang.....	1 and 3 Tues.
201	Wayzata.....	Fosston	S. B. Brown.....	C. A. Kraemer.....	A. C. Rund.....	2 and 4 Tues.
202	Wayzata.....	Isaper.....	Edward Burg.....	V. E. Smith.....	T. B. Horton.....	2 and 4 Tues.
203	Fosston.....	Staples	Alex G. McKnight.....	Hiram H. Onan.....	Carl C. Stevens.....	2 and 4 Tues.
204	Staples.....	Grand Rapids	J. F. Kreutz.....	C. E. Lamb.....	F. F. Short.....	1 and 3 Fri.
205	Sibley.....	Winthrop	M. McKinnon.....	E. T. Bigelow.....	F. F. Foss.....	2 and 4 Mon.
206	Chubbuck.....	Heron Lake	W. H. Pattison.....	W. G. Cameron.....	R. I. Tinkelpaugh.....	1 and 3 Tues.
207	Chubbuck.....	Heron Lake	A. Seaman.....	August Johnson.....	C. E. Aiken.....	1 and 3 Tues.
208	Chubbuck.....	Heron Lake	Geo. E. Strout.....	A. T. Johnson.....	Geo. E. Butler.....	1 and 3 Fri.
209	Chubbuck.....	Heron Lake	F. J. Humiston.....	Fred A. Cooley.....	W. J. Ross.....	2 and 4 Wed.
210	Chubbuck.....	Heron Lake	Chas. D. Catlin.....	E. P. Vallancey.....	Wm. Cox.....	1 and 3 Wed.
211	Chubbuck.....	Heron Lake	Norman Jensen.....	Andrew Holmer.....	G. Goodman.....	1 and 3 Tues.
212	Chubbuck.....	Heron Lake	Louis Mathison.....	Frank Phillips.....	Chas. H. Warner.....	1 and 3 Fri.
213	Chubbuck.....	Heron Lake	P. L. Mathison.....	W. L. Beach.....	O. A. Felt.....	2 and 4 Tues.
214	Chubbuck.....	Heron Lake	D. Dundas.....	T. K. Onstad.....	R. D. Manchester.....	1 and 3 Tues.
215	Chubbuck.....	Heron Lake	Wm. N. Cayott.....	Chas. W. Collins.....	I. P. Houck.....	2 and 4 Tues.
216	Chubbuck.....	Heron Lake	Theo. M. Thomas.....	John F. Beckman.....	Chas. Mitchell.....	1 and 3 Tues.
217	Chubbuck.....	Heron Lake	Eugene W. McCord.....	A. L. Delong.....	E. J. Sangren.....	1 and 3 Mon.
218	Chubbuck.....	Heron Lake	S. R. Pape.....	Albert Nystuen.....	Geo. E. Raht.....	1 and 3 Mon.
219	Chubbuck.....	Heron Lake	N. L. Headline.....	P. J. Fischen.....	L. H. Wilson.....	2 and 4 Sat.
220	Chubbuck.....	Heron Lake	Fred A. Salstrom.....			

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221 Equity	Cottonwood	14 '97	L. McKinnie	John Michie	W. A. Goodburn	C. R. Laingen	1 and 3 Wed.
222 Elysian	Elysian	14 '98	Jonas W. Root	L. C. Keene	W. K. Wilcox	C. R. Laingen	1 and 3 Wed.
223 Mora	Mora	15 '98	D. McIlhenny	R. W. Safford	C. King	Henry Rines	2 and 4 Sat.
224 Minnesota	Minneapolis	15 '98	C. W. G. Hyde	C. E. Foster	J. N. McWhorter	Henry Rines	2 and 4 Sat.
225 Justice	Lamberton	15 '99	George C. Royer	Chas. H. Works	Thos. J. Dickson	V. H. Stough	1 and 3 Tues.
226 Lincoln	Milaca	15 '99	R. L. Crumb	E. J. Davis	H. A. Cohen	A. F. Gebhard	2 and 4 Mon.
227 Park Region	Elbow Lake	15 '99	Geo. L. Woodworth	E. J. Scovell	Paul G. Stahl	C. P. H. Clague	2 and 4 Mon.
228 Vernon Center	Vernon Center	15 '99	G. C. Cornish	D. H. Wyman	H. A. King	N. P. Alward	1 and 3 Sat.
229 Stewart	Stewart	15 '99	John Molander	W. H. Houck	H. A. C. Schultz	O. E. Smith	2 and 4 Sat.
230 Alpha	Hendrum	15 '99	Wm. Anderson	Marius Hanson	Henry Marsden	O. E. Smith	2 and 4 Sat.
231 Magnolia	Sherburn	15 '99	C. E. Greene	J. A. Grindeland	Wm. Masters	A. F. Mickelson	1 and 3 Tues.
232 Chicago	North Branch	15 '99	Geo. W. Rowell	Henry Prestholdt	L. A. Fauley	E. M. Dahlby	1 and 3 Mon.
233 Bemidji	Bemidji	24 '01	Wm. McQuag	John Graham	W. Chase Klein	Wm. Aiken	1 and 3 Wed.
234 Sandstone	Sandstone	24 '01	James Percy	Howard Folsom	R. J. Colvin	Frank F. Burdett	1 and 3 Fri.
235 Edgerton	Edgerton	24 '01	Arnold Pilling	Frank E. Douty	Robt. E. Thomas	P. W. Mabey	2 and 4 Mon.
236 Northern	Third Rv. Falls	24 '01	Albert Shaw	W. B. Fuller	Ben Christianson	Frank K. Wade	1 and 3 Wed.
237 Albert Pike	Hopkins	24 '01	Albert H. Nash	G. B. Bjornson	Gus Williams	Frank K. Wade	1 and 3 Wed.
238 Equality	Minnesota	25 '02	S. M. Askdal	G. B. Bjornson	A. C. Jones	O. H. Sterk	1 and 3 Wed.
239 Eveleth	Eveleth	25 '02	A. O. Sisson	Fredk. Barrett	James A. Robb	O. H. Sterk	2 and 4 Wed.
240 Astra	Lester Prairie	25 '02	Ovette L. Day	John Heneman	Otto W. Lundsten	R. M. Cornwell	2 and 4 Wed.
241 Frazee	Frazee	25 '02	John H. Baldwin	Dennis L. Durkin	E. F. Gummer	E. G. Robinson	2 and 4 Sat.
242 Ruthlon	Ruthlon	25 '02	Cary Diehl	M. J. Calderwood	H. E. Martinson	Geo. W. Clayton	2 and 4 Sat.
243 Cass	Cass Lake	25 '02	Thos. F. Rodwell	Fred W. Smith	Geo. W. Beckett	Christ Jensen	2 and 4 Wed.
244 Coteau	Russell	25 '02	E. Smith	W. D. Hackett	F. P. Willard	E. L. Hall	1 and 3 Tues.
245 Webasso	Webasso	25 '02	O. T. Newhouse	D. E. Billington	E. C. Barton	E. L. Hall	2 and 4 Tues.
246 Fides	Sandborn	25 '03	Enos P. Dotson	Henry J. Fink	Oscar E. Bennett	Roster W. Stevens	1 and 3 Tues.
247 Morality	Tendricks	25 '03	L. M. Lerwick	Frank E. Smith	C. P. Sonnichsen	A. J. Forsell	1 and 3 Tues.
248 Raymond	Raymond	25 '03	Chas. E. Fouts	Phillip Melcher	Dan McCorquodale	R. M. Tuckey	2 and 4 Sat.
249 Baraboo	Echo	25 '03	E. M. Pool	Edgar O. Arnold	James W. Danbury	C. L. Hack	2 and 4 Sat.
250 Lakefield	Lakefield	25 '03	Sidney W. Smith	J. P. Jensen	T. T. Gronland	Wm. D. Hill	2 and 4 Tues.
251 McKinley	Tyler	25 '03	I. B. D. Wagner	A. C. Mathes	R. C. Hinman	W. W. McGowan	2 and 4 Tues.
252 Morton	Norton	25 '03	Wm. H. Vaege	O. J. Dickens	R. E. Warn	W. W. McGowan	1 and 3 Tues.
253 Dexter	Dexter	25 '03	A. S. King	Ias. A. Robinson	Emanuel Berg	Robt. Eckford	1 and 3 Tues.
254 Lake Park	Lake Park	25 '03	M. E. Pearce	Frank M. Higgins	Wm. J. Trencher	W. J. Trencher	2 and 4 Wed.
255 Mesaba	Hibbing	25 '03	J. Ransom Hall	C. B. Body	W. C. Hammett	Daniel F. Wadsworth	2 and 4 Tues.
256 Hawley	North St. Paul	Jan. 21 '04	John W. Herrick	W. W. Slight	J. G. Earhart	Herbert Glassey	2 and 4 Tues.
257 Fellowship	North St. Paul	Jan. 21 '04	A. M. Bergstrom	James Mosher	Frank R. Bunnell	Eric E. Stone	2 and 4 Mon.
258 Montgomery	St. Paul	19 '05	Chas. F. Sheers	James Mosher	Ed L. Murphy	Henry H. Blinn	2 and 4 Mon.
259 Perry	Akeley	19 '05	Geo. H. Hicks	C. P. Beadle	C. F. Bassett	P. H. Irish	1 and 3 Fri.
260 Truth	Bricelyn	19 '05	Geo. H. Hicks	C. P. Beadle	C. F. Bassett	B. N. Macomber	1 and 3 Fri.

*Saturday preceding full moon.

†Saturday on or before full moon.

‡Wednesday in week moon falls.

||Monday of week moon falls.

§Saturday on or before full moon and two weeks thereafter.

St. John's, No. 1, was first chartered by the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin, June 9, 1852, Cataract, No. 2, by the Grand Lodge of Illinois, Oct. 5, 1852, and St. Paul, No. 3, by the Grand Lodge of Ohio, Jan. 24, 1853. These united in forming the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, Feb. 24, 1853.

LODGES LOST OR CHANGED, WITH CAUSE.

No.	Lodge.	Town.	County.	Date of Charter.	Cause of Being Stricken from Roll.
3	St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	Ramsey	Feb. 24, 1853	Charter surrendered, accepted by Grand Lodge Jan. 9, 1856, and restored to second St. Paul, No. 3, Jan. 18, 1900.
3	St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	Ramsey	Jan. 10, 1856	Charter surrendered Jan. 18, 1900, and charter of Feb. 24, 1853, accepted in its place.
6	Shakopee	Shakopee	Scott	Jan. 2, 1855	Charter arrested in October, 1850, and surrendered in 1860.
9	Faribault	Faribault	Rice	Jan. 6, 1857	Charter arrested early in 1893; restored in October, 1894; surrendered June 1, 1895.
10	Pacific	St. Paul.....	Ramsey	Jan. 6, 1857	Charter surrendered Dec. 27, 1861.
13	Henderson	Henderson	Sibley	Jan. 6, 1857	Charter arrested early in 1859, and surrendered in 1860.
15	St. Cloud	St. Cloud	Stearns	Jan. 6, 1857	Charter arrested in 1859, and surrendered in 1860.
25	Meridian	Chatfield	Fillmore	Oct. 27, 1858	Charter surrendered in 1860.
53	Faribault	Faribault	Rice	Oct. 25, 1865	Changed to No. 9, Jan. 15, 1869, by vote of Grand Lodge.
68	Northern Light	Fort Garry	Manitoba	Oct. 23, 1865	U. D. at Pembina and Fort Garry from September, 1863; charter never delivered.
70	Forest City	Forest City	Meeker	Jan. 15, 1869	Charter surrendered in 1873.
74	Minnetka	Minnetka	Wabasha	Jan. 15, 1869	Charter destroyed by fire in 1881, and not reissued.
88	Yellowstone	Fort Buford	Dakota Ter..	Jan. 10, 1872	Charter surrendered June 6, 1874; members mostly soldiers.
105	Shiloh	Fargo	Dakota Ter..	Jan. 14, 1874	Permission given to transfer to Grand Lodge of North Dakota in January, 1880.
107	Adoniram	Dover	Olmstead	Jan. 11, 1874	Charter surrendered in November, 1880.
120	Rismarck	Bismarck	Dakota Ter..	Jan. 11, 1876	Transferred allegiance to Grand Lodge of North Dakota in December, 1880.
127	Centennial	Delano	Wright	Jan. 10, 1877	Charter arrested in September, 1886, and never restored.
130	Arcturus	Red Wing	Goodhue	Jan. 16, 1878	Consolidated with No. 8, April 21, 1897.
133	Pelican Rapids...	Pelican Rapids...	Otter Tail...	Jan. 16, 1880	Charter forfeited Jan. 16, 1886, and surrendered Sept. 6, 1886.

APPENDIX C.—ABSTRACT OF LODGE RETURNS FOR 1904.

Number.	Name of Lodge.	Location.	Members Jan. 1, 1904	Initiated.	Passed.	Raised.	Joined.	Restored.	Total Gain.	Withdrawn.	Stricken from Roll.	Suspended.	Expelled.	Died.	Total Loss.	Members Jan. 1, 1905.	Fees and Dues.		Lodge Dues Unpaid.	Other Lodge Assets.	Lodge Liabilities.
																	For 1904.	Paid Grand Secretary.			
1	St. Johns	Stillwater	152	3	3	3		1	7	2				5	5	164	\$71.80	\$71.80	\$666	\$2,722	\$113
2	Catawba	Minneapolis	457	29	30	30	3	1	37	2				11	13	431	266.60	266.60	750	26,300	
3	St. Paul	St. Paul	344	21	20	20	2	1	22	2				4	13	354	193.80	193.80	750	7,066	
4	Hennepin	Minneapolis	391	14	14	14	2	1	13	3				9	14	395	192.80	192.80	940	9,342	625
5	Ancient Landmark	St. Paul	482	24	20	24	10	2	36	5	6			6	21	497	252.40	252.40	1,150	16,574	
6	Dakota	Hastings	109	3	5	5	3		11	3	1			3	7	107	54.80	54.80	102	2,329	
7	Red Wing	Red Wing	127	8	8	8	5		13	2	2			4	4	144	77.20	77.20	148	12,802	7,000
8	Faribault	Faribault	156	9	8	8	4		16	4				1	3	162	69.60	69.60	108	4,716	
9	Manitouville	Manitouville	160	10	7	7	7		15	4				2	6	172	35.80	35.80	67	432	
10	Wapasha	Wapasha	163	2	2	2	1	1	2	1				1	1	164	86.80	86.80	187	11,720	5,510
11	Monticello	Monticello	72	3	1	1	1		1	3				1	2	71	29.80	29.80	172	2,446	
12	Hokah	Hokah	39	10	15	15	5		20	3	17			3	23	76	33.00	33.00	187	5,514	
13	Winona	Winona	314	10	15	15	5		20	3	17			3	23	76	6.40	6.40	187	5,514	
14	Minneapolis	Minneapolis	964	50	44	46	28	1	75	17	3			4	29	1010	161.60	161.60	400	11,400	
15	Caladonia	Caladonia	62	1	2	2	1		2	3				12	29	324	514.00	514.00	1,728	35,544	
16	Rochester	Rochester	139	7	7	7	6	1	13	3				5	8	144	28.60	28.60	500	1,800	
17	Pleasant Grove	Pleasant Grove	58				4		7	1	2			3	3	55	22.00	22.00	35	935	
18	North Star	St. Cloud	152	4	4	4	3		7	1	2			3	5	159	72.80	72.80	500	1,800	
19	Western Star	Alma City	39	2	1	1	1		1	3	2			5	10	35	17.60	17.60	52	271	
20	Clear Earth Val.	Albert Lea	215	12	13	13	7	2	20	5	3			5	22	226	120.40	120.40	480	3,541	1,550
21	Blue Earth Water	Winnebago City	74	4	4	4	4	2	13	5				8	10	79	41.80	41.80	200	683	
22	Morning Star	Clear Water	48	2	3	3	3		6	1	3			1	2	49	26.80	26.80	51	886	713
23	Anoka	La Crescent	139	1	1	1	2		3	4				1	2	48	56.60	56.60	138	1,570	
24	King Hiram	Anoka	43	3	4	4	1		3	1				1	2	48	27.40	27.40	88	687	
25	Sakatah	Jordan	66	1	1	1	1		1	1				1	2	64	27.20	27.20	120	537	75
26	Star in the East	Waterville	109	6	7	7	7	1	12	9	3			1	6	108	56.40	56.40	130	1,397	300
27	Star in the East	Owatonna	68	8	8	8	10		10	5				1	6	72	43.80	43.80	150	2,220	450
28	Mont Moriah	Cannon Falls	78	1	4	4	4		5	2				1	2	81	39.40	39.40	164	1,940	
29	Preston	Hastings	87	1	1	1	1		3	2				1	4	86	33.20	33.20	164	4,080	
30	Mystic Tie	Pine Island	41	1	2	2	8		3	2	1			1	4	40	20.80	20.80	100	346	
31	Washington	West Concord	69	8	8	8	9		6	1	8			1	9	69	49.00	49.00	165	1,500	300

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																	For 1904.	Paid Grand Secre-tary.			
88	Golden Fleece...	Litchfield	132	10	11	11	1	1	13	1	1			3	4	141	83.20	83.20	175	1,735	85
89	Good Faith...	Jackson	82	2	6	6	1		3	1	1				2	99	38.00	38.00	179	860	
90	Antiquity...	Redwood Falls...	98	6	6	6	1		6	3					5	99	55.20	55.20	78	*4.401	
91	Fraternality...	Princeton	58	4	4	4	1		4	3					1	62	35.20	35.20	78		
92	Fraternality...	Sauk Rapids...	41	1	1	1	1		2						1	42	18.00	18.00	100	420	
93	Unity...	Sleepy Eye...	52	7	7	7	1		8	1					2	72	41.40	41.40	144	*3.711	114
94	Keystone...	Elk River...	66	10	8	8			1	1					1	65	23.60	23.60	92	941	
95	Sherburne...	St. James...	65	1	1	1	2		3	1					3	84	47.40	47.40	228		
96	Libanus...	Windom...	85	9	9	9	4		10	3					4	86	43.80	43.80	62	11,852	7,261
97	Prudence...	New Ulm...	86	4	4	4	4		10	4					8	122	60.20	60.20	350	*5,959	
98	Charity...	Fergus Falls...	120	17	17	17	4		22	4					8	138	115.40	115.40	300	2,400	
99	Corner Stone...	Brainerd...	176	16	16	16	5		19	10					2	78	42.20	42.20	182	1,093	
100	Aurora...	Worthington	70	5	5	5	5		13	1					1	35	19.20	19.20	130	245	
101	Fraternity...	Lanesboro...	34	2	2	2	1		3	1					1	76	48.20	48.20	317	1,458	
102	Lebanon...	Lake Crystal...	75	8	8	8	1		8	5					2	75	41.80	41.80	620	2,114	
103	Sharon...	Willmar...	68	5	5	5	1		8	1					1	113	62.00	62.00	272	2,114	
104	Mt. Tabor...	Detroit...	106	6	6	6	1		13	6					3	124	26.60	26.60	100	*4,200	
105	Relief...	Dodge Center...	164	2	2	2	1		16	2					1	124	82.20	82.20	178	3,400	
106	Sunset...	Montevideo...	111	11	13	13	1		1	2					1	25	20.00	20.00		440	67
107	Pickwick...	Pickwick...	50						1	1					1	26	10.00	10.00		*2,540	10
108	Khurum...	Carver...	26		39	37	4		42	5					13	385	249.20	249.20	367	11,080	
109	Excelsior...	Minneapolis...	356	36	5	5	1		9	1					6	79	42.00	42.00	44	505	
110	Ben Franklin...	Excelsior...	74	2	2	2	2		5	2					7	62	28.80	28.80	107	*1,235	120
111	Eglin...	Luverne...	65	2	4	4	3		6	3					8	46	28.00	28.00	45	665	55
112	Lafayette...	Eglin...	47	4	4	4	2		5	3					1	54	25.60	25.60	100	*4,200	800
113	Granite Falls...	Brownsdale...	50	5	2	2	1		2	1					6	46	26.60	26.60	100	255	35
114	Newport...	Granite Falls...	50	5	3	3	1		3	5					1	49	23.80	23.80	82	747	
115	Delta...	Newport...	52	1	3	3	3		2	4					1	125	38.80	38.80	275	750	
116	Grand Meadow...	Grand Meadow...	119	14	17	15	3		18	8					12	36	14.00	14.00	30	*1,562	
117	Kellogg...	Kellogg...	37				1		4	3					2	30	18.40	18.40	18	347	
118	Prarie...	Grand Meadow...	28	1	3	3	4		5	2					2	46	30.40	30.40		675	
119	Janesville...	Blooming Prairie...	47	4	5	5	4		4	1					6	80	44.40	44.40		435	
120	Bethel...	Janesville...	77	6					4	1					1						

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172	Marietta	Marietta	21	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	22	11.40	11.40	29	185	
173	Pumby Linc.	Kimball	43	5	3	2	3	2	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	45	26.80	26.80	117	564	
174	Valley	Greenwood	48	6	5	6	3	2	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	56	35.00	35.00	130	814	
175	Manly Eagle	Adrian	41	4	2	2	1	1	41	2	2	2	2	2	2	41	35.00	35.00	169	571	140
176	Ark	Minneapolis	331	19	19	18	8	5	26	7	9	3	3	3	3	338	180.80	180.80	297	5,716	
177	Rough Ashlar	Belle Plaine	26	5	5	5	5	2	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	29	24.60	24.60	18	264	
178	Anchor	Royalton	42	5	5	5	5	2	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	38	15.20	15.20	163	265	
179	King David	Elmore	40	5	5	5	5	2	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	13.60	13.60	72	63	13
180	Oakus	Osakis	44	5	5	5	5	2	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	46	21.20	21.20	87	588	
181	Dalles	Cloquet	107	26	2	2	3	1	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	136	121.40	121.40	638	3,891	
182	Fair Haven	Annandale	38	3	3	3	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	42	24.00	24.00	125	706	
183	Shell	Park Rapids	69	6	7	7	2	2	6	3	3	3	3	3	3	73	45.60	45.60	200	711	
184	Midway	St. Paul	76	1	1	1	2	1	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	77	32.60	32.60	209	2,121	
185	Ionic	Duluth	217	43	40	38	18	1	57	1	1	1	1	1	1	273	207.40	207.40	638	3,741	
186	Arcana	Minneapolis	105	24	23	20	1	1	21	2	1	1	1	1	1	124	108.30	108.30	240	3,633	
187	Fortitude	Two Harbors	75	5	5	5	1	1	6	2	2	2	2	2	2	78	43.80	43.80	144	1,710	
188	Traverse	Wheaton	57	2	2	2	1	1	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	119	26.60	26.60	252	5,962	3,248
189	Triune	St. Paul	110	8	9	8	2	2	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	62	67.80	67.80	365	1,441	100
190	Mizpah	South St. Paul	49	3	4	4	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	22	30.20	30.20	47	771	
191	Crow River	Belgrade	23	1	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	36	21.80	21.80	24	226	
192	Amboy	Amboy	33	3	3	3	2	1	7	2	2	2	2	2	2	38	39.20	39.20	124	481	2,000
193	Canton	Canton	77	9	9	7	1	1	8	5	5	5	5	5	5	59	45.40	45.40	35	612	
194	Renville	Renville	52	9	9	9	1	1	7	2	2	2	2	2	2	49	26.00	26.00	160	1,185	600
195	Geneva	Madison	46	2	2	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	89	40.80	40.80	235	1,857	
196	Vermillion	Tower	88	22	22	2	3	1	15	13	13	13	13	13	13	121	78.40	78.40	316	1,830	
197	Euclid	West Duluth	106	14	11	11	3	1	15	13	13	13	13	13	13	58	40.60	40.60	76	1,180	
198	Murray	Slayton	62	7	7	7	2	2	9	8	8	8	8	8	8	66	31.20	31.20	100	1,400	
199	Zenith	Springfield	68	2	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	24	14.80	14.80	22	2,712	650
200	Kenyon	Dawson	26	1	3	2	2	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	32	19.20	19.20	124	242	
201	Stewartville	Stewartville	23	3	2	2	3	3	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	62	31.80	31.80	86	546	
202	Atelier	Jasper	62	3	2	2	2	2	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	25	9.20	9.20	131	75	
203	St. Elmo	Wayzata	24	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	40	15.20	15.20	109	806	

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251	McKinley	Tyler	22	6	6	5	1	1	6	1	1				1	27	22.40	22.40		298	
252	Morton	Morton	36	16	2	2	2	1	8	10	10				10	28	15.00	15.00		332	
253	Dexter	Dexter	15	10	4	6	7	1	3	8	8				8	23	24.00	24.00	8	284	
254	Lake Park	Lake Park	40	13	4	4	4		4	1					1	43	28.60	28.60	48	518	
255	Mesaha	Hibbing	54	13	16	18	3		21	4					4	75	68.60	68.60	78	1,742	276
256	Hawley	Hawley	26	8	4	4	4		4	1				1	1	29	21.00	21.00	26	388	142
257	Fellowship	North St. Paul	18	5	4	4	4		4	1				1	1	21	19.80	19.80		222	214
258	Montgomery	St. Paul	32	6	6	6	6		6						38	1	30.80	30.80	34	700	
UD	Berry	Atkeley		2	1	1	1		1							1	4.00	4.00			
UD	Truth	Brecllyn		5	5	2	2		2							2	12.00	12.00		108	
			15615	1289	1282	1313	419	58	1787	532	236	1	4	240	1013	20290	\$11,301.20	\$11,301.20			

APPENDIX D.

PAY ROLL, 1905.

GRAND OFFICERS.	Mileage.	Per Diem.	Total Paid.	To Whom Paid.
Wm. A. McGonagle, G. Master...	\$5.70	\$6.00	\$11.70	W. A. McGonagle.
Henry M. Tusler, D. G. Master....	.....	6.00	6.00	H. M. Tusler.
Thomas Morris, S. G. Warden....	11.70	6.00	17.70	T. Morris.
Gustaf Widell, J. G. Warden.....	3.20	6.00	9.20	Gustaf Widell.
David W. Knowlton, G. Treas....	0.20	6.00	6.20	D. W. Knowlton.
Thomas Montgomery, G. Sec....	.....	6.00	6.00	Thos. Montgomery.
Luis G. Hoffmann, G. Orator.....	.....	6.00	6.00	Luis G. Hoffmann.
Alfred G. Pinkham, G. Chap....	2.75	6.00	8.75	A. G. Pinkham.
Chas. L. Sawyer, S. G. Deacon....	0.20	6.00	6.20	C. L. Sawyer.
Eugene E. Swan, J. G. Deacon....	3.15	6.00	9.15	E. E. Swan.
R. A. W. McLeod, G. St. B.....	2.35	6.00	8.35	R. A. W. McLeod.
H. W. Hendrickson, G. Sw. B....	5.75	6.00	11.75	H. W. Hendrickson.
William P. Roberts, S. G. Stew....	0.20	6.00	6.20	W. P. Roberts.
Edwin H. Foot, J. G. Stew.....	1.65	6.00	7.65	E. H. Foot.
Wm. A. Nolan, G. Purs.....	5.10	6.00	11.10	W. A. Nolan.
PERMANENT MEMBERS.				
Chas. Griswold, P. G. M.....	.....	6.00	6.00	Chas. Griswold.
E. W. Durant, P. G. M.....	0.60	6.00	6.60	E. W. Durant.
Henry R. Wells, P. G. M.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	H. R. Wells.
Henry R. Denny, P. G. M.....	.....	6.00	6.00	H. R. Denny.
A. T. Stebbins, P. G. M.....	3.70	6.00	9.70	A. T. Stebbins.
A. Brandenburg, P. G. M.....	7.50	6.00	13.50	A. Brandenburg.
A. D. Countryman, P. G. M.....	6.20	6.00	12.20	A. D. Countryman.
Henry R. Adams, P. G. M.....	0.20	6.00	6.20	H. R. Adams.
Geo. H. Davis, P. D. G. M.....	3.20	6.00	9.20	Geo. H. Davis.
Chas. L. West, P. D. G. M.....	3.95	6.00	9.95	Chas. L. West.
Samuel E. Adams, P. S. G. W....	0.20	6.00	6.20	Samuel E. Adams.
Edgar Nash, P. S. G. W.....	0.20	6.00	6.20	Edgar Nash.
Albert Marden, P. J. G. W.....	3.55	6.00	9.55	Albert Marden.
H. C. Shepard, P. J. G. W.....	.....	6.00	6.00	H. C. Shepard.
Wm. B. Patton, P. J. G. W.....	.....	6.00	6.00	W. B. Patton.
J. D. Markham, P. J. G. W.....	2.15	6.00	8.15	J. D. Markham.
COMMITTEE ON RETURNS.				
J. T. Johnson.....	7.50	9.00	16.50	J. T. Johnson.
			\$281.90	

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1	St. Johns	\$0.60	\$6.00	\$6.60	W. C. Masterman.
2	Catact	0.20	6.00	6.20	E. E. Nicholson.
3	St. Paul		6.00	6.00	M. S. Mead.
4	Hennepin	0.20	6.00	6.20	F. G. Dustin.
5	Ancient Landmark		6.00	6.00	Lawrence Hope.
7	Dakota	0.80	6.00	6.80	J. E. Olson.
8	Red Wing	1.65	6.00	7.65	C. B. Johnson.
9	Faribault	2.10	6.00	8.10	J. F. Lindeman.
11	Mantorville	2.95	6.00	8.95	J. M. F. Cooper.
12	Mankato	3.20	6.00	9.20	S. B. Wilson.
14	Wapahasa	2.80	6.00	8.80	Joseph Buisson.
16	Monticello	1.90	6.00	7.90	C. D. Keene.
18	Winona	4.05	6.00	10.05	S. Strouse.
19	Minneapolis	0.20	6.00	6.20	G. E. Young.
20	Caledonia	6.30	6.00	12.30	O. K. Dahle.
21	Rochester	3.70	6.00	9.70	T. H. Bliss.
22	Pleasant Grove	8.00	6.00	14.00	C. L. Denny.
23	North Star	3.00	6.00	9.00	A. I. Graburn.
24	Wilton	3.40	6.00	9.40	H. Clauson.
26	Western Star	4.35	6.00	10.35	L. A. Hanes.
27	Blue Earth Valley	4.70	6.00	10.70	F. E. Cady.
28	Clear Water	2.50	6.00	8.50	Fred W. Hyatt.
29	Morning Star	5.05	6.00	11.05	A. Lilly.
30	Anoka	1.15	6.00	7.15	O. F. Warnes.
31	King Hiram	1.30	6.00	7.30	C. E. Morrell.
32	Sakatah	2.60	6.00	8.60	B. L. Blair.
33	Star in the East	2.75	6.00	8.75	P. J. Kuntz.
34	Oriental	1.60	6.00	7.60	A. McKenzie.
35	Mount Moriah	0.80	6.00	6.80	C. E. Reed.
36	Preston	6.00	6.00	12.00	Jno. W. Hopp.
37	Mystic Tie	3.00	6.00	9.00	Chas. L. Perham.
38	Washington	2.55	6.00	8.55	C. S. Day.
39	Fidelity	3.70	6.00	9.70	J. H. Anderson.
40	Carnelian	2.35	6.00	8.35	W. J. Fladwed.
41	Hermon	2.70	6.00	8.70	F. W. Fulkerson.
42	Hope	2.50	6.00	8.50	Harold Nelson.
43	Harmony	4.90	6.00	10.90	J. E. Peters.
45	Union	2.30	6.00	8.30	H. F. Weis.
46	Evergreen	5.00	6.00	11.00	N. G. Bain.
47	Concord	2.75	6.00	8.75	W. C. Davis.
48	Social	1.55	6.00	7.55	W. C. Barnard.
49	Rising Sun	4.40	6.00	10.40	E. W. Henbach.
50	Watertown	3.05	6.00	9.05	C. G. Halgren.
51	Acacia	0.80	6.00	6.80	I. T. Morey.
52	Cannon River	2.70	6.00	8.70	Geo. Molm.
54	Nicollet	2.75	6.00	8.75	Jas. Bennett.
56	Meridian	4.75	6.00	10.75	E. W. Rossman.
57	Blue Earth City	5.10	6.00	11.10	M. M. Freer.
58	Spring Valley	5.10	6.00	11.10	Geo. M. Warren.
59	Temple	2.80	6.00	8.80	M. S. Goodnow.
60	Star in the West	4.90	6.00	10.90	H. L. Lamb.
61	Ashler	4.20	6.00	10.20	J. B. Copley.
62	Star	2.10	6.00	8.10	Chas. Bugbee.
63	Illustrious	4.80	6.00	10.80	F. L. Gilbert.
64	Chain Lake	5.65	6.00	11.65	A. A. Horton.
65	Golden Rule	1.00	6.00	7.00	C. V. Holmstrom.
67	Corinthian	1.10	6.00	7.10	C. B. Whittier.
69	Mystic Star	5.50	6.00	11.50	W. F. Drake.
71	Paynesville	3.75	6.00	9.75	H. A. Wells.
72	Lansing	3.80	6.00	9.80	O. C. LaBar.
76	Joppa	4.00	6.00	10.00	Chas. F. Ulrich.
77	Tuscan	3.10	6.00	9.10	E. C. Goodspeed.
78	Mystic Circle	5.50	6.00	11.50	J. R. Gordon.
79	Palestine	5.70	6.00	11.70	Guy A. Eaton.
81	Constellation	5.65	6.00	11.65	E. A. Hensel.
82	Howard	1.90	6.00	7.90	J. H. Wagen.
83	Huram Abi	3.15	6.00	9.15	J. J. McCaughey.
84	Orient			6.60	Taylor Robinson.

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85	High Forest.....	\$5.10	\$6.00	\$11.10	E. H. Englehart.
86	Tyrian.....	2.70	6.00	8.70	John McCabe.
87	Doric.....	4.70	6.00	10.70	R. F. Drake.
89	Golden Fleece.....	8.10	6.00	9.10	J. W. Wright.
90	Good Faith.....	6.30	6.00	12.30	Jno. Burnham.
91	Antiquity.....	4.30	6.00	10.30	J. A. Schmahl.
92	Fraternal.....	2.40	6.00	8.40	B. D. Grant.
93	Unity.....	3.05	6.00	9.05	L. L. Sartell.
94	Keystone.....	4.15	6.00	10.15	C. J. Hanson.
95	Sherburne.....	1.65	6.00	7.65	F. D. Waterman.
96	Lebanus.....	4.60	6.00	10.60	M. G. Fossum.
97	Prudence.....	5.70	6.00	11.70	N. Anderson.
98	Charity.....	3.55	6.00	9.55	W. B. Mather.
99	Corner Stone.....	7.50	6.00	13.50	C. L. Hilton.
100	Aurora.....	4.10	6.00	10.10	Jud Wright.
101	Fraternity.....	6.90	6.00	12.90	Wilson Ager.
102	Lebanon.....	5.45	6.00	11.45	F. M. Bean.
103	Bethel.....	3.70	6.00	9.70	D. H. Edwards.
104	Sharon.....	4.10	6.00	10.10	J. C. Freese.
106	Mt. Tabor.....	8.15	6.00	14.15	Geo. C. Bush.
108	Relief.....	2.90	6.00	8.90	Gus Crail.
109	Sunset.....	5.75	6.00	11.75	Wm. Dunbrack.
110	Pickwick.....	4.50	6.00	10.50	E. A. Gross.
111	Carver.....	1.10	6.00	7.10	O. C. Brunius.
112	Khurum.....	0.20	6.00	6.20	S. B. Washburn.
113	Excelsior.....	1.15	6.00	7.15	C. O. Woodruff.
114	Ben Franklin.....	8.20	6.00	14.20	C. A. Palmer.
115	Elgin.....	4.30	6.00	10.30	D. W. Searles.
116	Lafayette.....	4.10	6.00	10.10	A. B. Warren.
117	Granite.....	5.20	6.00	11.20	J. G. C. Johnson.
118	Newport.....	0.30	6.00	6.30	Frank Tibbets.
119	Delta.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	J. C. Burchard.
121	Grand Meadow.....	5.10	6.00	11.10	Geo. A. Wright.
122	Kellogg.....	3.05	6.00	9.05	H. W. Canfield.
123	Prairie.....	3.40	6.00	9.40	E. Morton.
124	Janesville.....	3.85	6.00	9.85	Joe Goodrich.
125	Winslow Lewis.....	0.95	6.00	6.95	D. S. Libbey.
126	Moorhead.....	9.70	6.00	15.70	J. P. Wolfe.
128	Josephus.....	4.05	6.00	10.05	E. Hadley.
129	Swift.....	5.30	6.00	11.30	W. Fallis.
131	Alma.....	4.40	6.00	10.40	A. B. Anderson.
132	Humboldt.....	2.00	6.00	8.00	J. W. Truwe.
133	Golden Sheaf.....	6.30	6.00	12.30	Jno. W. Eddy.
134	Cokato.....	2.35	6.00	8.35	W. E. Carkins.
135	Nelson.....	2.20	6.00	8.20	A. E. Sturges.
136	Walnut.....	5.75	6.00	11.75	D. O. Bulen.
137	Appleton.....	6.20	6.00	12.20	G. Kivley.
138	Orion.....	3.60	6.00	9.60	H. W. Jones.
139	Verndale.....	7.10	6.00	13.10	G. W. Empey.
140	Little Falls.....	4.80	6.00	10.80	E. A. Kling.
141	Crookston.....	11.70	6.00	17.70	L. D. Foskett.
142	Currie.....	5.00	6.00	11.00	L. G. Gates.
143	Lakeview.....	7.10	6.00	13.10	E. N. Morrill.
144	Bird Island.....	3.20	6.00	9.20	J. H. Feeter.
145	Melrose.....	4.35	6.00	10.35	H. C. Maguren.
146	Benton.....	7.40	6.00	13.40	Henry Potter.
147	Canby.....	7.20	6.00	13.20	A. Gilberson.
148	Quarry.....	7.70	6.00	13.70	E. H. Argetsinger.
149	Guardian.....	2.85	6.00	8.85	P. B. Jensen.
150	Warren.....	12.90	6.00	18.90	Douglas Farrell.
151	Chaska.....	1.10	6.00	7.10	W. C. Odell.
152	Frontier.....	8.50	6.00	14.50	O. B. Todd.
153	Kodahya.....	8.15	6.00	14.15	G. S. Lines.
154	Norman.....	10.00	6.00	16.00	Peter Sharpe.
155	Tracy.....	6.00	6.00	12.00	J. R. Crystal.
156	Wadena.....	6.85	6.00	12.85	John Liddell.
157	Perham.....	7.80	6.00	13.80	J. L. Sawyer.
158	Hector.....	3.50	6.00	9.50	A. M. Erickson.
159	Long Prairie.....	5.45	6.00	11.45	W. A. Barto.

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No.	Name of Lodge.	Mileage.	Per Diem.	Total Paid.	To Whom Paid.
160	Plymouth	\$0.20	\$6.00	\$6.20	G. V. B. Hill.
161	Sincerity	5.55	6.00	11.55	Wm. Kerr.
162	Prescott	6.95	6.00	12.95	A. W. Wells.
163	Summit .....	.....	6.00	6.00	J. W. Mahan.
164	Jasper	2.15	6.00	8.15	C. M. Johnson.
165	Minnehaha	0.20	6.00	6.20	T. O. Dahl.
166	Garnet	0.50	6.00	6.50	J. C. Fulton.
167	Agate	7.70	6.00	13.70	J. W. Noffsinger.
168	Braden .....	.....	6.00	6.00	J. Schoonmaker.
169	Pierson	8.75	6.00	14.75	A. J. Aamodt.
170	Fulda	7.20	6.00	13.20	Emil King.
171	Shekinah .....	.....	6.00	6.00	E. Weisenberger.
172	Marietta	7.25	6.00	11.40	H. M. Griffin.
173	Plumb Line	2.80	6.00	8.80	C. L. Spaulding.
174	Valley	5.20	6.00	11.20	James Wyvell.
176	Ark	0.20	6.00	6.20	Harry Moore.
178	Anchor	3.85	6.00	9.85	Thomas McDougall
180	Osakis	5.25	6.00	11.25	K. Swore.
181	Dalles	5.55	6.00	11.55	O. S. Parker.
182	Fair Haven	2.50	6.00	8.50	J. G. Hayter.
184	Shell	7.95	6.00	13.95	F. M. Shephard.
185	Midway .....	.....	6.00	6.00	C. P. Montgomery.
186	Ionic	5.70	6.00	11.70	W. D. Underhill.
187	Arcana	0.20	6.00	6.20	J. Suggitt.
188	Fortitude	7.00	6.00	13.00	L. H. Bryan.
189	Traverse	8.20	6.00	14.20	J. B. Bruns.
190	Triune .....	.....	6.00	6.00	S. R. Loux.
191	Mizpah	0.20	6.00	6.20	G. I. Lytle.
194	Canton	7.40	6.00	13.40	Wm. Johnson.
195	Renville	4.60	6.00	10.60	J. R. Butters.
198	Euclid	5.70	6.00	11.70	G. E. Budd.
199	Murray	7.20	6.00	13.20	W. A. Forsaith.
200	Zenith	4.70	6.00	10.70	Jno. R. Schmid.
201	Kenyon	2.15	6.00	8.15	M. H. Silvernale.
202	Atelier	6.50	6.00	12.50	A. A. Stemsrud.
203	Stewartville	4.05	6.00	10.05	C. E. Fawcett.
204	St. Elmo	8.10	6.00	9.20	A. G. McKnight.
205	Wayzata	0.55	6.00	6.55	Wm. Bushnell.
207	Crescent	5.50	6.00	11.50	A. B. Church.
208	Itasca	8.55	6.00	14.35	D. M. Gunn.
209	Sibley	2.80	6.00	8.80	J. A. E. Johnson.
210	Columbian	6.15	6.00	12.15	LeRoy Brown.
211	Friendship	7.85	6.00	13.35	Jas. E. Dean.
212	Hallock	14.60	6.00	20.60	Elmer C. Yetter.
213	Mystic	6.60	6.00	12.60	Irvine Innes.
214	Evansville	8.35	6.00	12.35	O. A. Felt.
215	Argyle	13.35	6.00	19.35	Wm. Cuthill.
216	Florence	5.20	6.00	11.20	Theo. M. Thomas.
217	Capital City .....	.....	6.00	6.00	O. F. Mitchell.
218	Griswold	2.60	6.00	8.60	Axel Nelson.
220	Olivia	4.15	6.00	10.15	N. L. Headline.
221	Equity	5.60	6.00	11.60	John Michie.
222	Elysian	2.85	6.00	8.85	W. K. Wilcox.
224	Minnesota	0.20	6.00	6.20	C. W. G. Hyde.
225	Justice	5.35	6.00	11.35	Thos. J. Dixon.
227	Park Region	6.85	6.00	12.85	Geo. L. Woodworth.
228	Vernon Center	4.15	6.00	10.15	G. C. Cornish.
229	Stewart	3.15	6.00	9.15	John Molander.
230	Alpha .....	.....	6.00	6.00	W. D. Bangs.
231	Magnolia	5.55	6.00	11.55	J. A. Gundeland.
232	Chisago	1.70	6.00	7.70	G. W. Rowell.
235	Bemidji	10.45	6.00	16.45	W. C. Klein.
234	Sandstone	3.40	6.00	9.40	Jas. Percey.
237	Albert Pike	0.50	6.00	6.50	A. H. Nash.
238	Equality	6.45	6.00	12.45	A. C. Jones.
239	Eveleth	9.20	6.00	15.20	A. O. Sisson.
24	Astra	2.10	6.00	8.10	O. L. Day.

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No.	Name of Lodge.	Mileage.	Per Diem.	Total Paid.	To Whom Paid.
241	Frazee.....	\$7.75	\$6.00	\$13.75	J. H. Baldwin.
242	Ruthton.....	7.00	6.00	13.00	Cary Diehl.
244	Coteau.....	6.50	6.00	12.50	E. Smith.
245	Wabasso.....	5.00	6.00	11.00	D. E. Billington.
246	Fides.....	5.00	6.00	11.00	E. P. Dodson.
247	Morality.....	8.05	6.00	14.05	L. M. Lerwick.
248	Raymond.....	4.55	6.00	10.55	S. Edmondson.
249	Barto.....	4.95	6.00	10.95	E. M. Pool.
250	Lakefield.....	6.30	6.00	12.30	E. A. Gage.
251	McKinley.....	7.05	6.00	13.05	S. W. Smith.
252	Morton.....	4.25	6.00	10.25	J. B. D. Wagner.
253	Dexter.....	4.45	6.00	10.45	W. H. Pierce.
254	Lake Park.....	9.65	6.00	15.65	A. S. King.
255	Mesaha.....	8.75	6.00	14.75	M. E. Peirce.
256	Hawley.....	9.15	6.00	15.15	J. Ransom Hall.
257	Fellowship.....	0.20	6.00	6.20	Jno. W. Herrick.
258	Montgomery.....	.....	6.00	6.00	A. M. Bergstrom.
	Total.....	.....	.....	\$2,550.60	

APPENDIX E. **NAMES OF LODGES ALPHAPETICALLY ARRANGED.**

Name.	No.	Name.	No.	Name.	No.
Acacia	51	Frontier	152	Newport	118
Agate	167	Fulda	170	Nicollet	54
Albert Pike	237	Garnet	166	Norman	154
Alpha	230	Geneva	196	Northern	236
Alma	131	Golden Fleece	89	North Star	23
Amboy	193	Golden Rule	65	Olivia	220
Anchor	178	Golden Sheaf	133	Orient	84
Ancient Landmark	5	Good Faith	90	Oriental	34
Anoka	30	Grand Meadow	121	Orion	138
Antiquity	91	Granite	117	Osakis	180
Appleton	137	Griswold	218	Palestine	79
Arcana	187	Guardian	149	Park Region	227
Argyle	215	Hallock	212	Paynesville	71
Ark	176	Harmony	43	Perham	157
Ashler	61	Hawley	256	Pickwick	110
Astra	240	Ilecter	153	Pierston	169
Atelier	202	Henderson	80	Pleasant Grove	22
Aurora	100	Hennepin	4	Plumb Line	173
Barto	249	Hermon	41	Plymouth	160
Bemidji	233	High Forest	85	Prairie	123
Ben Franklin	144	Hokah	17	Prescott	162
Benton	146	Hope	42	Preston	36
Berry	259	Howard	82	Prudence	97
Bethel	103	Humboldt	132	Quarry	143
Bird Island	144	Huram Abi	83	Raymond	248
Blue Earth City	57	Illustrious	63	Red Wing	8
Blue Earth Valley	27	Ionic	186	Relief	108
Braden	168	Itasca	208	Renville	196
Brownsville	73	Janesville	124	Rising Sun	49
Caledonia	20	Jasper	164	Rochester	21
Canby	147	Joppa	76	Roman Eagle	175
Cannon River	52	Josephus	128	Rough Ashlar	177
Canton	194	Justice	225	Ruthton	242
Capital City	217	Kellogg	122	St. Elmo	204
Carnelian	40	Kenyon	201	St. Johns	1
Carver	111	Keystone	94	St. Paul	3
Cass	243	Khurum	112	Sakatah	32
Catacraft	2	King David	179	Sandstone	234
Chain Lake	64	King Hiram	31	Sharon	104
Charity	98	King Solomon	44	Shekinah	171
Chaska	161	Kodahya	153	Shell	184
Chisago	232	Lafayette	116	Sherburne	85
Clear Water	28	Lakefield	250	Sibley	209
Cokato	134	Lake Park	254	Sincerity	161
Columbian	210	Lakeview	143	Social	48
Concord	47	Lake Wilson	UD	Spring Valley	58
Constellation	81	Lansing	72	Star	62
Corinthian	67	Lebanon	102	Star in the East	33
Corner Stone	99	Libanus	96	Star in the West	60
Coteau	244	Lincoln	226	Stewart	229
Crescent	207	Little Falls	140	Stewartville	203
Crookston	141	Long Prairie	159	Summit	163
Crow River	192	Madelia	66	Sunset	109
Currie	142	Magnolia	231	Swift	129
Dakota	7	Mankato	12	Temple	59
Dalles	181	Mantorville	11	Tracy	155
Delta	119	Marietta	172	Traverse	189
Dexter	253	McKinley	251	Truth	260
Doric	87	Melrose	145	Triune	190
Edgerton	235	Meridian	56	Tuscan	77
Elgin	115	Mesaba	255	Tyrian	86
Elysian	222	Midway	185	Union	45
Equality	238	Minneapolis	19	Unity	93
Equity	221	Minnehaha	165	Valley	174
Euclid	198	Minnesota	224	Vermillion	197
Eureka	75	Mizpah	191	Verndale	139
Evansville	214	Montgomery	258	Vernon Center	228
Eveleth	239	Monticello	16	Wabasso	245
Evergreen	46	Moorhead	126	Wadena	156
Expelsior	113	Mora	223	Walnut	136
Fairfax	UD	Morality	247	Wapahasa	14
Fair Haven	182	Morning Star	29	Warren	150
Faribault	9	Morton	252	Washington	38
Fellowship	257	Mount Hermon	219	Watertown	59
Fidelity	39	Mount Moriah	35	Wayzata	205
Fides	246	Mount Tabor	106	Western Star	26
Florence	216	Murray	198	Wilton	24
Fortitude	188	Mystic	213	Winona	18
Fosston	206	Mystic Circle	78	Winslow Lewis	125
Fraternat	92	Mystic Star	69	Zenith	200
Fraternity	101	Mystic Tie	37	Zion	56
Frazee	241	Nelson	135		
Friendship	211				

APPENDIX F.

LOCATION OF LODGES IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER.

Location.	Lodge.	No.	Location.	Lodge.	No.
Ada	Norman	154	Eyota	Ashler	61
Adrian	Roman Eagle	175	Fairfax	Fairfax	UD
Akeley	Berry	259	Fairmont	Chain Lake	64
Aitkin	Mystic	213	Faribault	Faribault	9
Albert Lea	Western Star	26	Farmington	Corinthian	67
Alexandria	Constellation	81	Fergus Falls	Corner Stone	99
Alma City	Wilton	24	Fosston	Fosston	206
Amboy	Amboy	193	Frazee	Frazee	241
Annandale	Fair Haven	182	Fulda	Fulda	179
Anoka	Anoka	30	Glencoe	Hope	42
Appleton	Appleton	137	Glenwood	Valley	174
Argyle	Argyle	215	Good Thunder	Joppa	76
Atwater	Orion	138	Graceville	Friendship	211
Austin	Fidelity	39	Grand Meadow	Grand Meadow	121
Barnesville	Pierson	169	Grand Rapids	Itasca	208
Belgrade	Crow River	192	Granite Falls	Granite	117
Belle Plaine	Rough Ashlar	177	Hallock	Hallock	212
Bemidji	Bemidji	233	Hancock	Mt. Hermon	219
Benson	Swift	129	Hastings	Dakota	7
Bird Island	Bird Island	144	Hastings	Mt. Moriah	35
Blooming Prairie	Prairie	123	Hawley	Hawley	256
Blue Earth	Blue Earth City	57	Hector	Hector	158
Brainerd	Aurora	100	Henderson	Henderson	80
Breckenridge	Frontier	152	Hendricks	Morality	247
Bricelyn	Truth	260	Hendrum	Alpha	230
Brown's Valley	Kodahya	73	Herman	Prescott	162
Brownsville	Brownsville	116	Heron Lake	Columbian	210
Brownsdale	Lafayette	149	Hibbing	Mesaba	255
Brownston	Guardian	135	High Forest	High Forest	85
Buffalo	Nelson	20	Hokah	Hokah	17
Caledonia	Caledonia	167	Hopkins	Albert Pike	237
Campbell	Agate	147	Houston	Mystic Circle	78
Canby	Canby	34	Howard Lake	Howard	82
Cannon Falls	Oriental	194	Hutchinson	Temple	59
Canton	Canton	111	Jackson	Good Faith	90
Carver	Carver	243	Janesville	Janesville	124
Cass Lake	Cass	161	Jasper	St. Elmo	204
Chaska	Chaska	56	Jordan	King Hiram	31
Chatfield	Meridian	28	Kasson	Huram Abi	83
Clear Water	Clear Water	47	Kellogg	Kellogg	122
Cleveland	Concord	181	Kenyon	Kenyon	201
Cloquet	Dalles	46	Kimball	Plumb Line	173
Clyde	Evergreen	134	La Crescent	Morning Star	29
Cokato	Cokato	51	Lake Benton	Benton	146
Cottage Grove	Acacia	221	Lake City	Carnelian	40
Cottonwood	Equity	141	Lake Crystal	Bethel	103
Crookston	Crookston	142	Lakefield	Lakefield	250
Currie	Currie	218	Lake Park	Lake Park	254
Dassel	Griswold	202	Lakeland	Golden Rule	65
Dawson	Atelier	106	Lake Wilson	Lake Wilson	UD
Detroit	Mt. Taber	253	Lamberton	Justice	225
Dexter	Dexter	108	Lanesboro	Lebanon	102
Dodge Center	Relief	79	Lansing	Lansing	72
Duluth	Palestine	186	Le Roy	Eureka	75
Duluth	Ionic	249	Lester Prairie	Astra	240
Echo	Barto	234	Le Sueur	Union	45
Edgerton	Edgerton	227	Lewiston	Harmony	43
Elbow Lake	Park Region	115	Litchfield	Golden Fleece	89
Elgin	Elgin	95	Little Falls	Little Falls	140
Elk River	Sherburne	179	Long Prairie	Long Prairie	159
Elmore	King David	222	Luverne	Ben Franklin	114
Elysian	Elysian	214	Lyle	Alma	131
Evansville	Evansville	239	Madelia	Madelia	66
Eveleth	Eveleth	113	Madison	Geneva	196
Excelsior	Excelsior	113	Mankato	Mankato	12

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Location.	Lodge.	No.	Location.	Lodge.	No.
Mantorville	Mantorville	11	Sauk Centre.....	Star in the West.	60
Marietta	Marietta	172	Sauk Rapids.....	Unity	93
Marshall	Delta	119	Shakopee	King Solomon...	44
Mapleton	Josephus	128	Slayton	Murray	199
Mazeppa	Tyrian	86	Sherburn	Magnolia	231
Melrose	Melrose	145	Sleepy Eye.....	Keystone	94
Milaca	Lincoln	226	South St. Paul...	Mizpah	191
Minneapolis	Cataract	2	Springfield	Zenith	200
Minneapolis	Hennepin	4	Spring Valley...	Spring Valley...	58
Minneapolis	Minneapolis	19	Staples	Crescent	207
Minneapolis	Khurum	112	Stewart	Stewart	229
Minneapolis	Plymouth	160	Stewartville	Stewartville	203
Minneapolis	Minnehaha	165	Stillwater	St. Johns.....	1
Minneapolis	Ark	176	St. Charles.....	Rising Sun.....	49
Minneapolis	Arcana	187	St. Cloud	North Star.....	23
Minneapolis	Minnesota	224	St. James.....	Libanus	96
Minneota	Equality	238	St. Paul.....	St. Paul.....	3
Money Creek.....	Orient	84	St. Paul.....	Anc't Landm'k.	5
Montevideo	Sunset	109	St. Paul.....	Summit	163
Monticello	Monticello	16	St. Paul.....	Braden	168
Moorhead	Moorhead	126	St. Paul.....	Shekinah	171
Mora	Mora	223	St. Paul.....	Midway	185
Morris	Golden Sheaf..	133	St. Paul.....	Triune	190
Morristown	Cannon River..	52	St. Paul.....	Capital City....	217
Morton	Morton	252	St. Paul.....	Montgomery ..	268
New Paynesville..	Paynesville	71	St. Peter	Nicollet	64
Newport	Newport	118	Taylor's Falls...	Zion	55
New Ulm	Charity	98	Thief River Falls.	Northern	236
North Branch	Chicago	232	Tower	Vermillion	197
North St. Paul...	Fellowship	257	Tracy	Tracy	155
Northfield	Social	48	Two Harbors...	Fortitude	188
Olivia	Olivia	220	Tyler	McKinley	251
Ortonville	Lakeview	143	Verndale	Verndale	139
Osakis	Osakis	180	Vernon Center...	Vernon Center...	228
Osseo	Winslow Lewis..	125	Villard	Sincerity	161
Owatonna	Star in the East.	33	Wabasha	Wapahasa	14
Park Rapids.....	Shell	184	Wabasso	Wabasso	245
Perham	Perham	157	Wadena	Wadena	156
Pickwick	Pickwick	110	Walnut Grove...	Walnut	136
Pine Island.....	Mystic Tie.....	37	Warren	Warren	150
Pipestone	Quarry	148	Waseca	Tuscan	77
Plainview	Illustrious	63	Watertown	Watertown	50
Pleasant Grove...	Pleasant Grove..	22	Waterville	Sakatah	32
Preston	Preston	35	Wayzata	Wayzata	205
Princeton	Fraternal	92	Wells	Doric	87
Raymond	Raymond	248	West Concord...	Washington	38
Red Wing.....	Red Wing.....	8	West Duluth...	Euclid	9
Redwood Falls...	Antiquity	81	Wheaton	Traverse	189
Renville	Renville	185	White Bear.....	Garnet	166
Rochester	Rochester	21	Willmar	Sharon	104
Rockford	Star	62	Windom	Prudence	97
Royalton	Anchor	178	Winnebago City..	Blue Earth Val'y	27
Rush City.....	Jasper	164	Winona	Winona	18
Rushford	Mystic Star.....	69	Winthrop	Sibley	209
Russell	Coteau	244	Wood Lake.....	Florence	216
Ruthton	Ruthton	242	Worthington	Fraternity	101
Sanborn	Fides	246	Young America..	Humboldt	132
Sandstone	Sandstone	234	Zumbrota	Hermon	41

In Memoriam.

Jacob Armel Kiester

Past Grand Master of Masons of Minnesota.

Born at Mt. Pleasant, Pa., April 20, 1832.

Died at Blue Earth, Minn., Dec. 13, 1904.

Past Grand Masters.

Name.	Jurisdiction.	Date of Death.
George E. Dodge . . .	Arkansas . . .	Feb. 6, 1904
William F. Bynum . . .	Florida . . .	May 9, 1904
John N. McClanahan . . .	Iowa . . .	Nov. 30, 1904
Joseph A. Locke . . .	Maine . . .	April 21, 1904
Arthur M. Clark . . .	Michigan . . .	Oct. 26, 1904
John D. Vincil . . .	Missouri . . .	Oct. 12, 1904
James R. Webster . . .	Montana . . .	Aug. 13, 1904
James W. Hathaway . . .	Montana . . .	Aug. 29, 1904
James H. Mills . . .	Montana . . .	Sept. 5, 1904
Trenmor Coffin . . .	Nevada . . .	Aug. 26, 1904
Charles Belcher . . .	New Jersey . . .	Feb. 20, 1904
Charles J. McDonald . . .	Nova Scotia . . .	Oct. 12, 1904
S. Stacker Williams . . .	Ohio . . .	April 3, 1904
Albert W. Coe . . .	South Dakota . . .	Sept. 5, 1904
A. J. Rose . . .	Texas . . .	Dec. 13, 1904
Ozro Meacham . . .	Vermont . . .	Oct. 23, 1904
William H. Flick . . .	West Virginia . . .	June 7, 1904
Gabriel Bouck . . .	Wisconsin . . .	Feb. 21, 1904
Oliver Libbey . . .	Wisconsin . . .	Dec. 26, 1904

Chas. C. Warner, Dep. G. M.	Arizona . . .	June 3, 1904
Geo. T. Cooper, Dep. G. M.	Colorado . . .	June 20, 1904
Warren Tyler, J. G. Warden	Florida . . .	Dec. 21, 1903
Marquis F. King, G. Treas.	Maine . . .	Oct. 21, 1904
John D. Vincil, G. Sec.	Missouri . . .	Oct. 12, 1904
Chas. A. Fisher, S. G. Warden	South Dakota . . .	July 9, 1904
Nyson J. Horton, J. G. W.	Vermont . . .	Jan. 7, 1904

DEATHS IN 1904.

Name of Lodge.	No.	Name of Deceased.	Date.
St. Johns.....	1	John S. Nay.....	Sept. 23, 1904
		Carl J. Johnson.....	Oct. 19, 1904
		Fred A. Flint.....	Dec. 14, 1904
Cataract	2	John Stafford	Jan. 5, 1904
		M. V. Buswell.....	Jan. 7, 1904
		Jonathan Chase	Feb. 2, 1904
		George C. Lee.....	March 6, 1904
		A. M. Alden.....	March 7, 1904
		J. H. Pearl.....	April 12, 1904
		S. J. Kidd.....	April 12, 1904
		Wm. Cundy	May 6, 1904
		E. N. Armstrong.....	July 14, 1904
		Geo. E. Wheeler.....	July 30, 1904
St. Paul.....	3	L. K. Lovejoy.....	Aug. 12, 1904
		Robert W. Hague.....	Nov. 17, 1903
		C. C. King.....	Jan. 5, 1904
		Geo. J. Flint.....	Feb. 13, 1904
Hennepin	4	John B. Spencer.....	July 30, 1904
		John G. McFarlane.....	Jan. 13, 1904
		Will H. Davis.....	Feb. 11, 1904
		Robert T. McAdam.....	Feb. 26, 1904
		Lyman W. Denton.....	April 13, 1904
		Samuel H. Folsom.....	April 22, 1904
		Robert W. Bruce.....	April 27, 1904
		James P. Wallace.....	Aug. 4, 1904
		H. K. Halvorsen.....	Nov. 15, 1904
		John R. Willman.....	Dec. 28, 1904
Ancient Landmark.....	5	Gustave Hananer.....	Dec. 16, 1903
		George L. Becker.....	Jan. 6, 1904
		Albert Spangenberg.....	March 12, 1904
		Robert H. Depew.....	April 12, 1904
		Hayes Mayhew.....	July 4, 1904
Dakota	7	Charles P. Brown.....	Sept. 22, 1904
		Stanley N. Chase.....	March 25, 1904
		George W. Royce.....	May 21, 1904
		Lewis L. Parsons.....	June 3, 1904
Red Wing	8	Abram Howe	July 6, 1904
Faribault	9	Hermion L. Luther.....	Feb. 2, 1904
		A. D. Keyes.....	Feb. 21, 1904
		C. P. Pike.....	March 13, 1904
		W. Hughson	May 4, 1904
Mantorville	11	S. S. Hitchcock.....	May —, 1904
Mankato	12	Henry Ruegg.....	Jan. 18, 1904
		John W. Powell.....	July 23, 1904
Wapahasa	14	R. A. Johnson.....	Jan. 31, 1904
Monticello	16	Andrew H. Bertram.....	Dec. 24, 1904
Hokah	17	W. F. Weber.....	March 23, 1904
		C. W. Nash.....	Dec. —, 1904
		Albert J. Snure.....	Dec. 24, 1904
Winona	18	Samuel Fox.....	Feb. 15, 1904
		Franklin Staples.....	Feb. 23, 1904
		Charles A. Morey.....	Sept. 26, 1904
		Charles B. Morey.....	Oct. 11, 1904
Minneapolis	19	John R. Gifford.....	Nov. 23, 1904
		Joseph L. Doblin.....	July 31, 1904
		G. J. Henrich.....	Nov. 2, 1904
		R. A. Wheeler.....	May 10, 1904
		L. H. Verge.....	April 10, 1904
		E. W. Farwell.....	Jan. 26, 1904
		Frank A. Peterson.....	Aug. 27, 1904
		Thomas A. Conway.....	Feb. 17, 1904
		Samuel A. Strohmeier.....	Aug. 16, 1904
		E. A. Burrage.....	July 19, 1904
		Willis E. Noxon.....	April 23, 1904
		Frank P. Goodnow.....	Dec. 3, 1904
Rochester	21	Wm. Brown	May 23, 1904
		Alonzo D. Robinson.....	Aug. 13, 1904
		E. J. Gates.....	May 24, 1904
		Philip D. Manley.....	Dec. 8, 1904
		Thomas Purves.....	Nov. 3, 1904

DEATHS IN 1904.—Continued.

Name of Lodge.	No.	Name of Deceased.	Date.
Western Star.....	26	Franklin Case	Dec. 23, 1904
		John Squiers	Feb. 4, 1904
		Harry Biddell.....	Sept. 15, 1904
		Willard McAllister.....	July 13, 1904
		Jens Christenson	Nov. 6, 1904
Clear Water.....	28	Thomas C. Porter.....	Dec. 5, 1904
Morning Star.....	29	Lewis Lilly	Dec. 15, 1904
Anoka	30	Zebina Z. Bryant.....	Nov. 28, 1904
King Hiram.....	31	Dewitt C. Strait.....	Oct. 17, 1904
Star in the East.....	33	William M. Bell.....	Dec. 9, 1896
Oriental	34	John Season	June 1, 1904
Mystic Tie.....	37	W. M. Thomson.....	Nov. 21, 1904
Fidelity	38	Moses D. Gue.....	May 28, 1904
		George P. Morse.....	July 15, 1904
		Dexter Parritt	Aug. 5, 1904
Carnelian	40	George L. Harrison.....	June 15, 1904
Hermon	41	Herman H. Palmer.....	June 30, 1904
		John A. Stenhang.....	April 24, 1904
Hope	42	James Cummings	March 3, 1904
		A. R. Newcomb.....	March 21, 1904
Harmony	43	Charles D. Jacobs.....	May 1, 1900
		Peter Dempster	March 12, 1904
King Solomon.....	44	F. R. Schluter.....	Jan. 12, 1904
		Roswell Tousley	—, 1904
Concord	49	Benj. F. Ellwood.....	July 17, 1904
Social	48	S. J. Wallace.....	Feb. 2, 1904
Rising Sun.....	47	George H. Smith.....	Feb. 13, 1904
		W. W. Heydon.....	Sept. 5, 1904
Cannon River.....	52	Horace Welch.....	March 2, 1904
		Andrew J. Eddy.....	April 2, 1904
Zion	65	Patrick Fox	Nov. 3, 1901
		William S. Dedon.....	Nov. 28, 1904
Meridian	56	Wm. B. Hesselgrave.....	Aug. 6, 1904
		James Laird	Dec. 18, 1904
Blue Earth.....	57	Colin C. Tate.....	March 4, 1904
		Norman L. Heffron.....	Oct. 13, 1904
		Silas W. Graham.....	Nov. 18, 1904
Spring Valley	58	Jacob A. Kiester.....	Feb. 21, 1904
		Hobart E. Duncan.....	Feb. 29, 1904
		Wm. H. Cusick.....	Aug. 17, 1904
Star in the West.....	60	John O. Farmer.....	June 6, 1904
		Pett M. Meigs.....	Sept. 4, 1904
Ashler	61	Jacob C. Jacobi.....	Feb. 26, 1904
		D. H. Bradley.....	May 21, 1904
		M. R. Wood.....	Nov. 12, 1904
Illustrious	63	Benj. F. Eckles.....	July 11, 1904
		A. Wallace Gregg.....	Sept. 30, 1904
Chain Lake.....	64	Milton Smith	Sept. 8, 1904
Madelia	66	Edward G. Cross.....	Aug. 19, 1904
Mystic Star.....	69	Wm. W. Murphy.....	Jan. 31, 1904
Paynesville	71	Henry S. Vernon.....	—, 1904
		Will E. Kinney.....	Sept. 2, 1904
Brownsville	73	Benj. F. Gray.....	Aug. 25, 1904
Eureka	75	Jacob Walter	Nov. 13, 1904
Joppa	76	Isaac H. Thompson.....	Jan. 26, 1904
Tuscan	77	Heuman F. Lehman.....	April 18, 1904
		H. A. Wagoner.....	May 5, 1904
		A. J. Lawin.....	Oct. 9, 1904
Palestine	79	R. M. Middaugh.....	May 6, 1904
		Joseph D. Titcomb.....	June 2, 1904
		Ira L. Dyser.....	July 6, 1904
		Andrew McGilvray.....	Aug. 28, 1904
		Donald McLeod.....	Dec. 1, 1904
		Fred McNaughton.....	Dec. 15, 1904
Howard	82	George E. Long.....	Jan. 19, 1904
		Thomas R. Briggs.....	June 6, 1904
		Louis Rausch	—, 1904

DEATHS IN 1904.—Continued.

Name of Lodge.	No.	Name of Deceased.	Date.
Huram Abi.....	83	H. J. Roe.....	April 18, 1904
Orient	84	C. L. Chambers.....	Dec. 5, 1904
Tyrian	86	Charles Tiffney	July 20, 1904
Doric	87	A. J. Taft.....	Jan. 18, 1904
Golden Fleece.....	89	J. P. Burk.....	April 18, 1904
Antiquity	91	Chas. Seabert	June 22, 1904
Unity	93	Jacob Koerner	Feb. 1, 1904
Charity	98	Hamlet Stevens	March 6, 1904
Corner Stone	99	Nathan C. Caswell.....	April 20, 1904
Fraternity	101	William C. March.....	Nov. 14, 1904
Bethel	103	Moses Sears	Feb. 6, 1904
Relief	108	Andrew Rhodin	Sept. 9, 1902
Sunset	109	Louis A. Gebhardt.....	Nov. 1, 1904
Khurum	112	Justus S. Anderson.....	March 29, 1904
Excelsior	113	Wm. Salvage.....	April —, 1904
Lafayette	116	Wm. C. Bedford.....	—, 1904
Newport	118	Henry S. Humiston.....	Aug. 29, 1904
Delta	119	Humphrey H. Jones.....	June 16, 1904
Prairie	123	Thomas H. Jones.....	June 27, 1904
Moorhead	126	Stephen W. Ranson.....	Feb. 2, 1904
Josephus	128	Frank S. Allen.....	Dec. 4, 1904
Appleton	137	John E. Fullerton.....	Oct. 11, 1904
Currie	142	Charles F. Woods.....	April 27, 1904
Bird Island.....	144	Henry Downs	Feb. 9, 1904
Benton	146	Marsh P. Hawkins.....	May 21, 1904
Canby	147	John W. Henion.....	Aug. 19, 1904
Quarry	148	James Gray.....	Sept. 18, 1904
Guardian	149	Edmund F. Dougherty.....	Oct. 7, 1904
Frontier	152	John Cheeley.....	May 18, 1904
Kodahya	153	A. McGowan.....	July 9, 1904
Tracy	155	John Jeneweine.....	Dec. 2, 1904
Wadena	158	Samuel G. Marshall.....	April —, 1904
Perham	157	Chas. W. Gardner.....	Aug. —, 1904
Plymouth	160	John T. McDonald.....	March 1, 1904
Summit	163	Arden N. Drake.....	Jan. 18, 1904
Minnehaha	165	Wm. Vroman.....	Aug. 27, 1904
Agate	167	Jay W. Mitchell.....	Jan. 8, 1904
		Stephen G. Cheney.....	Nov. 23, 1904
		Herbert J. Berrean.....	Feb. 16, 1904
		John P. Norton.....	Feb. 17, 1904
		Nicholas O'Brian.....	Nov. 14, 1904
		Clark W. Smith.....	Jan. 11, 1904
		Joseph Juronek.....	April 17, 1904
		Wm. McGillivray.....	Nov. 28, 1904
		Alonzo L. Brown.....	Oct. 11, 1904
		John Jameson.....	Oct. 27, 1904
		S. W. Chadbourne.....	April 4, 1904
		H. D. Whitney.....	—, 1904
		Frank L. Warren.....	April 15, 1904
		George H. Green.....	Jan. 26, 1904
		Samuel F. Gordon.....	June 26, 1904
		John D. Crowley.....	Sept. 24, 1904
		Peter R. Barker.....	Dec. 3, 1904
		Lindsey J. Martin.....	Feb. 15, 1904
		George R. Chippman.....	Feb. 5, 1904
		Royal S. Clough.....	Oct. 29, 1904
		Asa F. Van Gorder.....	Dec. 12, 1904
		Fergus D. Abbey.....	Jan. 9, 1904
		Hiram F. Stevens.....	March 9, 1904
		Henry L. Williams.....	June 7, 1904
		Joseph E. McWilliams.....	March 8, 1904
		Wm. R. Dorr.....	Dec. 1, 1904
		Fred E. Clayton.....	Jan. 28, 1904
		H. A. Coburn.....	Feb. 8, 1904
		Sanford O. Brooks.....	Nov. 17, 1904
		Joseph S. Moody.....	Oct. 5, 1904
		Robert B. Rathbone.....	March 7, 1904
		David D. Waite.....	Nov. 27, 1904

DEATHS IN 1904.—Continued.

Name of Lodge.	No.	Name of Deceased.	Date.
Pierson	169	August F. Janneck.....	Aug. 21, 1904
Shekinah	171	Fred J. Petzinger.....	July 1, 1904
		Frank W. Clifford.....	Sept. 25, 1904
Ark	176	John Landberg.....	Jan. 7, 1904
		George H. Collom.....	Dec. 20, 1904
		Frederick B. Richmond.....	Dec. 16, 1904
King David	179	George W. Dustin.....	—, 1897
Dalles	181	Sanford L. Riddel.....	Feb. 22, 1904
Shell	184	Charles W. Hawley.....	March 13, 1904
		Smith De Wees.....	July 9, 1904
Fortitude	188	George L. Wyman.....	June 15, 1904
Traverse	189	Robert R. Rowe.....	June 19, 1904
Triune	190	George F. Kuhles.....	July 26, 1904
		Robert L. Cosgrove.....	Oct. 7, 1904
Canton	194	Wm. M. Edmister.....	Dec. 31, 1903
		Sidney Boyd.....	July 19, 1904
Renville	195	Ole Field.....	Oct. 31, 1904
Madison	196	Walter J. Clark.....	Nov. 21, 1904
Vermillion	197	Nels Nelson.....	Aug. 22, 1904
Zenith	200	Fred A. Wright.....	June 30, 1904
		John B. Schmid.....	Sept. 29, 1904
Kenyon	201	William Ollestad.....	Sept. 8, 1904
Crescent	207	Ephraim W. Smith.....	May 27, 1904
Mystic	213	Edwin B. Lowell.....	May 2, 1904
Capital City.....	217	Cyrus Roy Henton.....	Dec. 21, 1904
Mt. Hermon.....	219	Jesse D. Walters.....	Aug. 22, 1904
Minnesota	224	Theo. F. Stark.....	Jan. 30, 1904
		Peder E. Pederson.....	Dec. 8, 1904
Justice	225	Lemont S. Crandall.....	April 30, 1904
Bemidji	233	Earl Barker.....	April 16, 1904
Raymond	248	Albert J. Schilling.....	April 13, 1904
Lakefield	250	John Crawford.....	June 10, 1904
Hawley	256	Chas. B. Plummer.....	April 4, 1904

DEATH OF MOTHER PIERSON.

Eleanor C. Pierson was born on Long Island, New York, May 16, 1819, and died in St. Paul Sept. 25, 1904. Her illustrious husband, to whom she was married Oct. 19, 1835, was M. W. Bro. A. T. C. Pierson, 33°, who died in St. Paul Nov. 26, 1889, after a service of some thirty-six years almost wholly devoted to Masonry as Grand Master, Grand High Priest, Grand Secretary, Grand Recorder and writer of the reports on Correspondence. Since his death Mother Pierson has been a beneficiary of the Grand Lodge, Chapter and Commandery, and has frequently expressed her appreciation of the financial assistance rendered her by these Grand Bodies. She was a lady of culture and refinement, esteemed and beloved by all who knew her, and always loyal to Masonry. Two daughters survive her, one of whom, Eliza B., who has been her constant nurse and companion, desires, also, to express her sincere gratitude for all the kindness and help extended by the Masons of Minnesota to herself and mother during all these years.

APPENDIX G.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

To all whom it may concern, greeting:

Know ye, that in accordance with a standing resolution of the Grand Lodge, I have divided the jurisdiction, and appointed District Deputy Grand Masters, as follows:

FIRST DISTRICT.

ELMER C. YETTER (212), Hallock, D. D. G. M.

Crookston, No. 141.....	Crookston	Argyle, No. 215.....	Argyle
Warren, No. 150.....	Warren	Alpha, No. 230.....	Hendrum
Norman, No. 154.....	Ada	Bemidji, No. 233.....	Bemidji
Fosston, No. 206.....	Fosston	Northern, No. 236....	Thief River Falls
Hallock, No. 212.....	Hallock	Cass, No. 243.....	Cass Lake

SECOND DISTRICT.

JOHN LIDDELL (156), Wadena, D. D. G. M.

Aurora, No. 100.....	Brainerd	Shell, No. 184.....	Park Rapids
Mt. Tabor, No. 106.....	Detroit	Crescent, No. 207.....	Staples
Verndale, No. 139.....	Verndale	Mystic, No. 213.....	Aitkin
Wadena, No. 156.....	Wadena	Frazee, No. 241.....	Frazee
Perham, No. 157.....	Perham	Berry, No. 259.....	Akeley

THIRD DISTRICT.

LYONEL AYERS (79), Duluth, D. D. G. M.

Palestine, No. 79.....	Duluth	Euclid, No. 198.....	West Duluth
Dalles, No. 181.....	Cloquet	Itasca, No. 208.....	Grand Rapids
Ionic, No. 186.....	Duluth	Eveleth, No. 239.....	Eveleth
Fortitude, No. 188.....	Two Harbors	Mesaba, No. 255.....	Hibbing
Vermillion, No. 197.....	Tower		

FOURTH DISTRICT.

J. RANSOM HALL (256), Hawley, D. D. G. M.

Corner Stone, No. 99.....Fergus Falls	Evansville, No. 214.....Evansville
Moorhead, No. 126.....Moorhead	Park Region, No. 227.....Elbow Lake
Frontier, No. 152.....Breckenridge	Lake Park, No. 254.....Lake Park
Agate, No. 167.....Campbell	Hawley, No. 256.....Hawley
Pierson, No. 169.....Barnesville	

FIFTH DISTRICT.

HORACE J. WOOD (174), Glenwood, D. D. G. M.

Star in the West, No. 60...Sauk Centre	Sincerity, No. 161.....Villard
Constellation, No. 81.....Alexandria	Valley, No. 174.....Glenwood
Melrose, No. 145.....Melrose	Osakis, No. 180.....Osakis
Long Prairie, No. 159.....Long Prairie	

SIXTH DISTRICT.

WILLIAM SARTELL (93), Sauk Rapids, D. D. G. M.

Monticello, No. 16.....Monticello	Unity, No. 93.....Sauk Rapids
North Star, No. 23.....St. Cloud	Little Falls, No. 140.....Little Falls
Clear Water, No. 28.....Clear Water	Anchor, No. 178.....Royalton

SEVENTH DISTRICT.

ALBERT S. WEBB (234), Sandstone, D. D. G. M.

Anoka, No. 30.....Anoka	Mora, No. 223.....Mora
Fraternal, No. 92.....Princeton	Lincoln, No. 226.....Milaca
Sherburne, No. 95.....Elk River	Sandstone, No. 234.....Sandstone

EIGHTH DISTRICT.

CURTIS M. JOHNSON (164), Rush City, D. D. G. M.

St. Johns, No. 1.....Stillwater	Garnet, No. 166.....White Bear
Zion, No. 55.....Taylors Falls	Chisago, No. 232.....North Branch
Golden Rule, No. 65.....Lakeland	Fellowship, No. 257.....North St. Paul
Jasper, No. 164.....Rush City	

NINTH DISTRICT.

CHAS. L. SPAULDING (173), Kimball, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Star, No. 62.....	Rockford	Plumb Line, No. 173.....	Kimball
Paynesville, No. 71.....	New Paynesville	Fair Haven, No. 182.....	Annandale
Nelson, No. 135.....	Buffalo	Crow River, No. 192.....	Belgrade

TENTH DISTRICT.

CHAS. F. MOLM (248), Raymond, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Sharon, No. 104.....	Willmar	Prescott, No. 162.....	Herman
Swift, No. 129.....	Benson	Mt. Hermon, No. 219.....	Hancock
Golden Sheaf, No. 133.....	Morris	Raymond, No. 248.....	Raymond

ELEVENTH DISTRICT.

J. W. WRIGHT (89), Litchfield, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Watertown, No. 50.....	Watertown	Cokato, No. 134.....	Cokato
Howard, No. 82.....	Howard Lake	Orion, No. 138.....	Atwater
Golden Fleece, No. 89.....	Litchfield	Griswold, No. 218.....	Dassel

TWELFTH DISTRICT.

HENRY HAHN, (19), Minneapolis, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Hennepin, No. 4.....	Minneapolis	Wayzata, No. 205.....	Wayzata
Minneapolis, No. 19.....	Minneapolis	Minnesota, No. 224.....	Minneapolis
Khurum, No. 112.....	Minneapolis	Albert Pike, No. 237.....	Hopkins
Excelsior, No. 113.....	Excelsior		

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT.

A. A. BAKER (165), Minneapolis, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Cataract, No. 2.....	Minneapolis	Minnehaha, No. 165.....	Minneapolis
Winslow Lewis, No. 125.....	Osseo	Ark, No. 176.....	Minneapolis
Plymouth, No. 160.....	Minneapolis	Arcana, No. 187.....	Minneapolis

FOURTEENTH DISTRICT.

IRVING TODD (7), Hastings, D.: D.: G.: M.:

St. Paul, No. 3.....	St. Paul	Acacia, No. 51.....	Cottage Grove
Ancient Landmark, No. 5.....	St. Paul	Newport, No. 118.....	Newport
Dakota, No. 7.....	Hastings	Braden, No. 168.....	St. Paul
Mt. Moriah, No. 35.....	Hastings	Montgomery, No. 258.....	St. Paul

FIFTEENTH DISTRICT.

M. L. BEVANS (185), St. Paul, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Summit, No. 163.....	St. Paul	Triune, No. 190.....	St. Paul
Shekinah, No. 171.....	St. Paul	Mizpah, No. 191.....	South St. Paul
Midway, No. 185.....	St. Paul	Capital City, No. 217.....	St. Paul

SIXTEENTH DISTRICT.

LOWELL C. BIGELOW (153), Browns Valley, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Appleton, No. 137.....	Appleton	Traverse, No. 189.....	Wheaton
Ortonville, No. 143.....	Ortonville	Friendship, No. 211.....	Graceville
Kodahya, No. 153.....	Browns Valley		

SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT.

HARRY LEE D'ARMS (158), Hector, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Sunset, No. 109.....	Montevideo	Hector, No. 158.....	Hector
Granite, No. 117.....	Granite Falls	Renville, No. 195.....	Renville
Bird Island, No. 144.....	Bird Island	Olivia, No. 220.....	Olivia

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT.

WM. C. ODELL (151), Chaska, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Hope, No. 42.....	Glencoe	Guardian, No. 149.....	Brownston
Temple, No. 59.....	Hutchinson	Chaska, No. 151.....	Chaska
Carver, No. 111.....	Carver	Stewart, No. 229.....	Stewart
Humboldt, No. 132.....	Young America	Astra, No. 240.....	Lester Prairie

NINETEENTH DISTRICT.

HARRY F. WEIS (45), Le Sueur, D.: D.: G.: M.:

King Hiram, No. 31.....	Jordan	Nicollet, No. 54.....	St. Peter
King Solomon, No. 44.....	Shakopee	Henderson, No. 80.....	Henderson
Union, No. 45.....	Le Sueur	Rough Ashlar, No. 177.....	Belle Plaine
Concord, No. 47.....	Cleveland		

TWENTIETH DISTRICT.

JOHN B. D. WAGNER (252), Morton, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Antiquity, No. 91.....	Redwood Falls	Wabasso, No. 245.....	Wabasso
Marietta, No. 172.....	Marietta	Barto, No. 249.....	Echo
Geneva, No. 196.....	Madison	Morton, No. 252.....	Morton
Atalier, No. 202.....	Dawson	Fairfax, U. D.....	Fairfax
Florence, No. 216.....	Wood Lake		

TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

W. A. HAWKINS (119), Marshall, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Delta, No. 119.....	Marshall	Equality, No. 238.....	Minneota
Benton, No. 146.....	Lake Benton	Ruthon, No. 242.....	Ruthon
Canby, No. 147.....	Canby	Coteau, No. 244.....	Russell
Quarry, No. 148.....	Pipestone	Morality, No. 247.....	Hendricks
St. Elmo, No. 204.....	Jasper	McKinley, No. 251.....	Tyler
Equity, No. 221.....	Cottonwood		

TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

ENOS P. DOTSON (246), Sanborn, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Keystone, No. 94.....	Sleepy Eye	Zenith, No. 200.....	Springfield
Charity, No. 98.....	New Ulm	Sibley, No. 209.....	Winthrop
Walnut, No. 138.....	Walnut Grove	Justice, No. 225.....	Lamberton
Tracy, No. 155.....	Tracy	Fides, No. 246.....	Sanborn

 TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

E. A. SIME (97), Windom, D.: D.: G.: M.:

 Prudence, No. 97.....Windom
 Fraternity, No. 101.....Worthington
 Ben Franklin, No. 114.....Luverne
 Currie, No. 142.....Currie
 Fulda, No. 170.....Fulda

 Roman Eagle, No. 175.....Adrian
 Murray, No. 199.....Slayton
 Columbian, No. 210.....Heron Lake
 Edgerton, No. 235.....Edgerton
 Lake Wilson, U. D.....Lake Wilson

 TWENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

MARK G. FOSSUM (96), St. James, D.: D.: G.: M.:

 Mankato, No. 12.....Mankato
 Madelia, No. 66.....Madelia
 Joppa, No. 76.....Good Thunder
 Libanus, No. 96.....St. James

 Bethel, No. 103.....Lake Crystal
 Josephus, No. 128.....Mapleton
 Amboy, No. 193.....Amboy
 Vernon Center, No. 228, Vernon Center

 TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT.

A. A. HORTON (64), Fairmont, D.: D.: G.: M.:

 Blue Earth Valley, No. 27...Win. City
 Blue Earth City, No. 57.....Blue Earth
 Chain Lake, No. 64.....Fairmont
 Doric, No. 87.....Wells
 Good Faith, No. 90.....Jackson

 King David, No. 179.....Elmore
 Magnolia, No. 231.....Sherburn
 Lakefield, No. 250.....Lakefield
 Truth, No. 260.....Bricelyn

 TWENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT.

E. L. BRACKETT (67), Farmington, D.: D.: G.: M.:

 Faribault, No. 9.....Faribault
 Sakatah, No. 32.....Waterville
 Oriental, No. 34.....Cannon Falls
 Social, No. 48.....Northfield

 Cannon River, No. 52.....Morristown
 Corinthian, No. 67.....Farmington
 Elysian, No. 222.....Elysian

 TWENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT.

L. A. HANES (26), Albert Lea, D.: D.: G.: M.:

 Wilton, No. 24.....Alma City
 Western Star, No. 26.....Albert Lea
 Star in the East, No. 33.....Owatonna

 Tuscan, No. 77.....Waseca
 Janesville, No. 124.....Janesville

 TWENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT.

E. WOODBURY (41), Zumbrota, D. D. G. M.

Red Wing, No. 8.....	Red Wing	Hermion, No. 41.....	Zumbrota
Wapahasa, No. 14.....	Wabasha	Tyrian, No. 86.....	Mazeppa
Mystic Tie, No. 37.....	Pine Island	Kellogg, No. 122.....	Kellogg
Carnelian, No. 40.....	Lake City		

 TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT.

JOHN M. ROWLEY (21), Rochester, D. D. G. M.

Mantorville, No. 11.....	Mantorville	Huram Abi, No. 83.....	Kasson
Rochester, No. 21.....	Rochester	Relief, No. 108.....	Dodge Center
Washington, No. 38.....	West Concord	Kenyon, No. 201.....	Kenyon

 THIRTIETH DISTRICT.

E. W. ROSSMAN (56), Chatfield, D. D. G. M.

Harmony, No. 43.....	Lewiston	Ashler, No. 61.....	Eyota
Evergreen, No. 46.....	Clyde	Illustrious, No. 63.....	Plainview
Rising Sun, No. 49.....	St. Charles	Elgin, No. 115.....	Elgin
Meridian, No. 56.....	Chatfield		

 THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT.

WILLIAM TODD (39), Austin, D. D. G. M.

Fidelity, No. 39.....	Austin	Prairie, No. 123.....	Blooming Prairie
Lansing, No. 72.....	Lansing	Alma, No. 131.....	Lyle
Lafayette, No. 116.....	Brownsdale		

 THIRTY-SECOND DISTRICT.

GEORGE M. WARREN (58), Spring Valley, D. D. G. M.

Pleasant Grove, No. 22, Pleasant Grove	Grand Meadow, No. 121, Gr'd Meadow
Spring Valley, No. 58.....Spring Valley	Stewartville, No. 203.....Stewartville
Eureka, No. 75.....Le Roy	Dexter, No. 253.....Dexter
High Forest, No. 85.....High Forest	

THIRTY-THIRD DISTRICT.

PETER HANSON (78), Houston, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Hokah, No. 17.....Hokah	Orient, No. 84.....Money Creek
Preston, No. 36.....Preston	Lebanon, No. 102.....Lanesboro
Mystic Star, No. 69.....Rushford	Canton, No. 194.....Canton
Mystic Circle, No. 73.....Houston	

THIRTY-FOURTH DISTRICT.

JAMES R. MORTON (18), Winona, D.: D.: G.: M.:

Winona, No. 18.....Winona	Brownsville, No. 73.....Brownsville
Caledonia, No. 20.....Caledonia	Pickwick, No. 110.....Pickwick
Morning Star, No. 29.....La Crescent	

And the said District Deputy Grand Masters are authorized to perform the duties and exercise the powers pertaining to said office, within their respective districts, until the next annual communication of the Grand Lodge of A.: F.: & A.: M.: of Minnesota, unless otherwise ordered.

Dated this 16th day of February, A. D. 1905, A.: L.: 5905.

HENRY M. TUSLER,
Grand Master.

Attest:

THOMAS MONTGOMERY,
Grand Secretary.

APPENDIX H.

GRAND MASTERS AND GRAND SECRETARIES, FEBRUARY, 1905.

GRAND LODGE. (English Speaking)	NAME OF GRAND MASTER.	ADDRESS.	NAME OF GRAND SECRETARY.	ADDRESS.
Alabama	Henry H. Matthews.	Montgomery.	Geo. A. Beauchamp	Montgomery.
Arizona	James S. Cromb.	Clifton.	G. J. Roskrige.	Tucson.
Arkansas	S. T. Rowe.	Greenwood.	Fay Hempstead.	Little Rock.
Brit. Columbia.	W. J. Bowser.	Mount Hermon	K. E. Brett.	Victoria.
California	George W. Hunter.	Eureka.	Geo. Johnson.	San Francisco
Canada	Benj. Allen.	Toronto.	Hugh Murray.	Hamilton, Ont
Colorado	Benj. L. James.	Denver.	Chas. H. Jacobson.	Denver.
Connecticut	Geo. E. Parsons.	Norwich.	J. H. Barlow.	Hartford.
Delaware	R. Henry Young.	Wilmington.	B. F. Bartram.	Wilmington.
Dist. of Col.	Lurtin R. Ginn.	Washington.	A. W. Johnston.	Washington.
England	Duke of Connaught.	London.	Edw. Letchworth.	London.
Florida	Thos. M. Puleston.	Monticello.	W. P. Webster.	Jacksonville.
Georgia	Max Meyerhardt.	Rome.	W. A. Wollhin.	Macon.
Idaho	Albert W. Gordon.	Kendrick.	T. W. Randall.	Boise.
Illinois	Wm. B. Wright.	Effingham.	J. H. C. Dill.	Bloomington.
Indiana	Geo. E. Grimes.	Iadoga.	C. W. Prather.	Indianapolis.
Indian Ter.	Wilson O. Bruton.	Muldrow.	J. S. Murrow.	Atoka.
Iowa	Summer Miller.	Guttenberg.	Newton R. Parvin.	Cedar Rapids.
Ireland	Duke of Abercorn.	Dublin.	H. E. Flavelle, dep.	Dublin.
Kansas	Thos. G. Fitch.	Wichita.	A. K. Wilson.	Topeka.
Kentucky	R. H. C. Rhea.	Morganfield.	H. B. Grant.	Louisville.
Louisiana	L. P. Delahoussaye.	New Orleans.	Richard Lambert.	New Orleans.
Maine	Hugh R. Chaplin.	Bangor.	Stephen Berry.	Portland.
Manitoba	Rev. A. Chisholm.	Macgregor.	James A. Ovas.	Winnipeg.
Maryland	Thos. J. Shryock.	Baltimore.	Wm. M. Isaac.	Baltimore.
Massachusetts.	Baalis Sanford.	Brockton.	S. D. Nickerson.	Boston.
Michigan	Fletcher E. Turrell.	Bellaire.	Lou B. Winsor.	Reed City.
Minnesota	Henry M. Tusler.	St. Paul.	Thos. Montgomery.	St. Paul.
Mississippi	Thomas W. Sisson.	Winona.	Frederic Speed.	Vicksburg.
Missouri	Leroy B. Valiant.	St. Louis.	Jno. R. Parson.	St. Louis.
Montana	H. S. Hepner.	Helena.	Cornelius Hedges.	Helena.
Nebraska	Chas. E. Burnham.	Norfolk.	F. E. White.	Omaha.
Nevada	Geo. Gilson.	Carson City.	C. N. Noteware.	Carson City.
N. Brunswick.	Arthur I. Trueman.	Saint John.	J. T. Hartt.	St. John.
N. Hampshire.	Henry I. Haseltin.	Manchester.	F. D. Woodbury.	Concord.
New Jersey.	John H. Wilkins.	Newark.	T. H. R. Redway.	Trenton.
New Mexico.	George W. Ward.	Las Vegas.	A. A. Keen.	Albuquerque.
N. So. Wales.	J. C. Remington.	Sidney.	A. P. Brav.	Sidney.
New York	Frank H. Robinson.	Hornellsville.	E. M. I. Ehlers.	New York.
New Zealand.	H. J. Williams.	Wellington.	Malcolm Niccol.	Wellington.
North Carolina.	W. S. Liddell.	Charlotte.	J. C. Drewry.	Raleigh.
North Dakota.	James W. Foley.	Bismarck.	F. J. Thompson.	Fargo.
Nova Scotia.	Charles R. Smith.	Amberst.	Thos. Mowbray.	Halifax.
Ohio	Clifford G. Ballou.	Toledo.	J. H. Bronwell.	Cincinnati.
Oklahoma	Frank Matthews.	Mangum.	J. S. Hunt.	Guthrie.
Oregon	Thomas Gray.	Portland.	J. F. Robinson.	Eugene.
Pennsylvania.	James W. Brown.	Philadelphia.	W. A. Sinn.	Philadelphia.
P. Edw. Island.	Benj. Rogers.	Charlottetown.	N. MacKelvie.	Summerside.
Quebec	J. B. Tresidder.	Montreal.	Will H. Whyte.	Montreal.
Queensland.	George S. Hutton.	Brisbane.	Chas. H. Harley.	Brisbane.
Rhode Island.	James E. Tillinghast.	Providence.	S. P. Williams.	Providence.
Scotland	Chas. M. Ramsey.	Edinburgh.	David Reid.	Edinburgh.
S. Australia.	Samuel J. Way.	Adelaide.	J. H. Cunningham.	Adelaide.
So. Carolina.	John R. Bellinger.	Bamberg.	Chas. Inglesby.	Charleston.
South Dakota.	Ivan W. Goodner.	Pierre.	G. A. Pettigrew.	Sioux Falls.
Tasmania	C. E. Davies.	Hobart.	John Hamilton.	Hobart.
Tennessee.	James L. Sloan.	Linden.	J. B. Garrett.	Nashville.
Texas	W. M. Fly.	Gonzales.	John Watson.	Waco.
Utah	Richard L. Conely.	Salt Lake City.	Christopher Diehl.	Salt Lake City.
Vermont	Olin W. Daley.	White River Jct.	Henry H. Ross.	Burlington.
Victoria	H. J. Peacock.	Melbourne.	John Brain.	Melbourne.
Virginia	Thos. N. Davis.	Lynchburg.	G. W. Carrington.	Richmond.
Washington.	Edwin H. Van Patten.	Dayton.	T. M. Reed.	Olympia.
W. Australia.	J. W. Hackett.	Perth.	G. D. Stevenson.	Perth.
West Virginia.	L. H. Clarke.	Kyle.	J. W. Atkinson.	Charleston.
Wisconsin	David H. Wright.	Madison.	W. W. Perry.	Milwaukee.
Wyoming	F. A. Luckfield.	Rawlins.	W. L. Kuykendall.	Saratoga.

APPENDIX I.

REPRESENTATIVES OF GRAND LODGES.

To			FROM	
Name.	Residence.	State.	Name.	Residence.
Angus M. Scott.....	Headland.....	Alabama.....	A. Brandenburg.....	Fergus Falls.
G. H. N. Luhrs.....	Phoenix.....	Arizona.....	T. J. Lombard.....	Hudson, Wis.
S. T. Rowe.....	Greenwood.....	Arkansas.....	Sheldon L. Frazer...	Duluth.
Albert Kruger.....	Antwerp.....	Belgium.....	A. Brandenburg.....	Fergus Falls.
Chas. E. Tisdall.....	Vancouver.....	Brit. Columbia.	R. H. Hartley.....	Monroe, Wash.
A. A. Stevenson.....	Montreal.....	Canada.....	E. W. Durant.....	Stillwater.
Henry M. Teller.....	Central City.....	Colorado.....	T. Montgomery.....	St. Paul.
Edmund Tweedy.....	Danbury.....	Connecticut.....	Chas. Griswold.....	N. St. Paul.
Carlos D. Scott.....	Havana.....	Cuba.....	Geo. R. Metcalf.....	St. Paul.
Chas. C. King.....	Newark.....	Delaware.....	Henry R. Denny.....	St. Paul.
C. W. Hancock.....	Washington.....	Dist. Columbia.	J. D. Markham.....	Rush City.
J. W. Laurie, M. P. .	England.....	England.....	T. Montgomery.....	St. Paul.
Angus Paterson.....	Madison.....	Florida.....	Wm. P. Roberts.....	Minneapolis.
John D. Harrell.....	Bainbridge.....	Georgia.....	Wm. B. Patton.....	Duluth.
Reese Pickering.....	Genesee.....	Idaho.....	Gustaf Widell.....	Mankato.
Wm. Johnston.....	Chicago.....	Illinois.....	A. T. Stebbins.....	Rochester.
O. W. Brownback.....	Penitlenon.....	Indiana.....	Wm. S. Combs.....	St. Paul.
F. H. Nash.....	Fort Gibson.....	Indian Territory	John M. Rowley.....	Rochester.
Oliver Fry.....	Dublin.....	Ireland.....	T. Montgomery.....	St. Paul.
John C. Fry.....	Larned.....	Kansas.....	Calvin L. Brown.....	Morris.
L. L. Schwartz.....	New Orleans.....	Louisiana.....	Chas. W. Nash.....	Minneapolis.
John B. Redman.....	Ellsworth.....	Maine.....	Henry R. Adams.....	Minneapolis.
Thos. W. Taylor.....	Winnipeg.....	Manitoba.....	H. C. Shepard.....	Indianapolis.
Samuel B. Sexton, Jr.	Baltimore.....	Maryland.....	John H. Abbott.....	Minneapolis.
John Woodruff.....	Niles.....	Michigan.....	A. Brandenburg.....	Fergus Falls.
W. R. Montgomery.....	Cornersville.....	Mississippi.....	Henry R. Wells.....	Preston.
Howard Watson.....	St. Louis.....	Missouri.....	W. A. McGonagle.....	Duluth.
Theo. Brantly.....	Helena.....	Montana.....	A. D. Countryman.....	Appleton.
Geo. A. Beecher.....	Kearney.....	Nebraska.....	J. E. Finch.....	Hastings.
R. A. Bulmer.....	Virginia.....	Nevada.....	A. Marden.....	New Ulm.
Thos. Walker, M. D. .	St. John.....	New Brunswick	Thos. Morris.....	Crookston.
A. S. Batchelor.....	Littleton.....	New Hampshire	Geo. R. Metcalf.....	St. Paul.
Edwin Venable.....	Long Branch.....	New Jersey.....	Dav. W. Knowlton.....	Minneapolis.
Arthur Boyle.....	Santa Fe.....	New Mexico.....	Chas. G. Hinds.....	Shakopee.
A. J. Scott.....	Sydney.....	New S. Wales..	H. M. Tusler.....	St. Paul.
John S. Denton.....	Jamaica.....	New York.....		
Thos. A. Peterkin.....	Westport.....	New Zealand..	E. F. Barrett.....	Le Sueur.
F. D. Winston.....	Windsor.....	North Carolina.	I. B. B. Sprague.....	St. Paul.
Wm. A. Bentley.....	Bismarck.....	North Dakota..	Henry R. Wells.....	Preston.
Charles R. Barr.....	Digby.....	Nova Scotia.....		
Ralph R. Rickley.....	Columbus.....	Ohio.....	W. A. McGonagle.....	Duluth.
Wm. M. Anderson.....	Enid.....	Oklahoma Ter..	Enoch Stott.....	Winona.
G. L. Story.....	Portland.....	Oregon.....	Gid. S. Ives.....	St. Paul.
John D. Bell.....	Montague.....	P. Edw'd Island	A. T. Stebbins.....	Rochester.
John P. Noyes.....	Sweetsburg.....	Quebec.....	S. S. Kilvington.....	Minneapolis.
J. C. Champlin.....	Block Island.....	Rhode Island..	Henry R. Adams.....	Minneapolis.
		Scotland.....	T. Montgomery.....	St. Paul.
Sam'l Henry Good.....		South Australia	A. D. Countryman.....	Appleton.
J. W. Ardrey.....	Fort Mill.....	South Carolina.	Irving Todd.....	Hastings.
O. C. Berg.....	Redfield.....	South Dakota..	Henry R. Wells.....	Preston.
		Tasmania.....	Wm. A. Elliott.....	Minneapolis.
M. R. Goans.....	Loudon.....	Tennessee.....	H. M. Tusler.....	St. Paul.
		Texas.....		
Geo. Wm. Luft.....	Mercur.....	Utah.....	Henry M. Tusler.....	St. Paul.
Edwin Wheelock.....	Cambridge.....	Vermont.....	Sam'l E. Adams.....	Minneapolis.
Dr. E. Hinchcliffe.....	Bendigo.....	Victoria.....	Chas. N. Akers.....	St. Paul.
Wm. H. Pleasants.....	Hollins.....	Virginia.....	Edgar Nash.....	Minneapolis.
Joseph A. Kuhn.....	Pt. Townsend.....	Washington.....	Thomas Morris.....	Crookston.
R. D. McKenzie.....	Kalgoorlie.....	W. Australia..	W. A. McGonagle.....	Duluth.
John D. Baines.....	Charleston.....	West Virginia..	Chas. L. West.....	Austin.
W. W. Perry.....	Madison.....	Wisconsin.....	Geo. H. Davis.....	Mankato.

California, Iowa, Kentucky, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania do not exchange.

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APPENDIX K.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Minnesota:

Your committee on foreign correspondence has received and examined the following grand lodge proceedings:

ALABAMA, 1903.

The eighty-third annual communication was held at Montgomery, Dec. 1st and 2d, M. W. R. J. Redden, Grand Master. Three hundred and fifteen lodges represented; three hundred and eighty-seven on the roll. Two past grand masters present.

Thirteen dispensations for new lodges; three lodges reorganized; two charters surrendered and three restored. Membership fourteen thousand, three hundred, and forty; gain eight hundred and forty-six. Receipts \$7,330.75.

The death of Bro. H. H. Brown, past grand master, was announced.

The following decision is quoted merely to show the peculiar law in Alabama:

18. A person cannot be elected tyler of a lodge of which he is not a member.

The Grand Lodge of Costa Rica was recognized; six charters were granted and four dispensations continued; memorial services were held for their deceased brethren; a jewel was voted to Bro. J. C. Hall, a member of the grand lodge for the past fifty years; and the proposition to print the roll of membership annually was turned down by the finance committee, owing to the additional expense.

The report on foreign correspondence was again presented by Bro. W. Y. Titcomb, with the following fraternal notice of Minnesota:

His five decisions submitted have the ring of good metal, that is to say of good law.

The grand orator having delivered an impressive address was thanked by the grand lodge, and requested to furnish the same for publication with the proceedings.

The Golden Jubilee, a chronicle of the semi-centennial observance of the founding of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, was a grand occasion. The record of this event is embellished with a portrait of Bro. D. W. C. Dunwell, the last survivor of the grand lodge founders, a flash light picture of the assemblage at the Golden Jubilee, and portraits of all the twenty-three past grand masters.

Bro. Metcalf's history of the establishment of the grand lodge, and his biographical sketches of the several grand masters, make a most valuable addition to the literature of the jurisdiction.

The report on correspondence was submitted by Bro. Irving Todd in a concise, perspicuous, and discriminating review of the proceedings of fifty-four grand lodges. Alabama 1901 received courteous notice covering nearly three pages, for which we return hearty thanks.

M.: W.: R. J. Redden, Sulligent, Grand Master, and R.: W.: G. A. Beauchamp, Montgomery, Grand Secretary, were reëlected. Bro. W. Y. Titcomb, Anniston, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

ARIZONA, 1903.

The twenty-second annual communication was held at Tucson, Nov. 10th, 11th, and 12th, M.: W.: F. M. Zuck, Grand Master. Sixteen lodges represented; seventeen on the roll. Eight past grand masters present.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership eleven hundred and twenty-three; gain one hundred. Receipts \$1,603.80.

The death of Bro. G. W. Cheyney, past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

There is little in the address save a transcript of the grand master's letter book, not worth the space.

Congratulations were extended to the Grand Chapter O. E. S., then in session; the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica was recognized; two solid silver compotiers, suitably engraved, were presented to the retiring grand treasurer; one charter was granted and one dispensation continued; the action of the grand master in exchanging representatives with the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was approved; the compensation of the grand lecturer was fixed at \$2.50 per day and mileage, to be paid by the lodge receiving his services, and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The report on correspondence was prepared by Bro. C. D. Belden. Of Minnesota he writes:

The oration was delivered by W. Bro. W. C. Masterman. It was a timely discourse, having reference to their celebration of the fiftieth anniversary, and particularly an exhortation to uphold the sublime principles of our magnanimous order.

One hundred of the pages of this volume are filled with the chronicle of the semi-centennial observance of the founding of the grand lodge. Full page portraits of each of the grand masters is given and makes quite a fine picture gallery. The usual ceremonies of such occasions were followed out, and their publication will be long preserved by Minnesota Masons as a cherished memento.

The correspondence report is, as usual, by Bro. Irving Todd. Arizona transactions for 1901 are duly catalogued, and my remarks concerning Minnesota partly quoted.

M. W. J. S. Cromb, Clifton, Grand Master; V. W. G. J. Roskrige, Tuscon, reëlected grand secretary; Bro. C. D. Belden, Phoenix, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1904.

The thirty-third annual communication was held at Rossland, June 23d and 24th. M. W. C. E. Sharp, Grand Master. Thirty-two lodges represented; thirty-five on the roll. Two past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership twenty-six hundred and twenty-four; gain one hundred and fifty-one. Receipts \$4,018.34.

The deaths of Bro. A. R. Milne, past grand master, and Bro. Edward Hosker, grand tyler, were announced.

The portraits are of two past grand masters.

Among the special dispensations reported was the following:

1. To Ashlar Lodge to cast a new ballot on a candidate, who was rejected by one vote. The voter wrote to explain that he had mistaken the candidate for some one who bore a great personal similarity to the candidate, for which he apologized, and to avoid an act of injustice to the candidate I gave permission for a new ballot, which when taken was found to be clear.

This was disapproved by the committee on address for the reason that a year is not long to wait, and that the secrecy of the ballot should not be violated under any circumstances. From the statement of the case it might be inferred that the candidate was present before the ballot, but it is not so clear who apologized for the objectionable personal similarity. The clause, however, was stricken from their report by the grand lodge, which practically sustains the grand master.

The grand secretary was mildly censured for excessive expenses in the way of stationery and supplies; an appropriation of \$500 was made for a masonic cot or room in some general hospital; several requests for recognition were referred to the committee on correspondence, to report next year; the failure of the Grand Lodge of Scotland to answer official communications was styled extraordinary discourtesy, although by no means uncommon; a brief but scholarly address was delivered by Bro. H. G. Fiennes-Clinton, grand chaplain; and thanks were extended to the local brethren for the entertainment provided during the session.

Bro. W. A. De Wolf Smith prepared his eighth annual report on foreign correspondence, and one of the best. The following paragraphs are taken from the three pages under the head of Minnesota:

British Columbia was unrepresented at this communication, and as our representative is said to have his residence at Monroe, Wash., he could hardly be expected to attend.

M. W. Bro. H. R. Adams, whose portrait faces the title page, presided, and read a short, practical address.

An interesting address was delivered by W. Bro. J. C. Bennett, grand orator, which well deserves the place given it in the proceedings.

The new grand lodge constitution is printed with the proceedings, but we do not intend to comment on it further than to quote Clause 4, of Section 8, of Article II. Section 8 states:

The following are enumerated from the ancient constitutions as having the force of ancient land marks of the fraternity, having been generally received and acknowledged by masons as such.

And Clause 4, of this section, goes on:

That the rites and ceremonies (which include the unwritten language) of the true system of the Ancient York Rite, and which constitutes a part of the body of masonry, are immutable, and that it is not in the power of any man or body of men to make innovations therein.

Now, what we would like to know is, how does the Grand Lodge of Minnesota know what the "rites and ceremonies of the true system of the Ancient Rite" are? If these rites and ceremonies are immutable, how is it that they have been so changed that the work in hardly any two jurisdictions is the same? And, finally, what authority is there for saying that no man or body of men has power to make innovations therein? It was fortunate that Minneapolis Lodge, with its "paraphernalia, stereopticon views, etc.," exemplified the work of the third degree before the new constitution was adopted, otherwise the clause above quoted would surely have disqualified them.

The report on foreign correspondence is another carefully prepared review of the proceedings of fifty-seven grand lodges, Bro. Irving Todd being the writer. British Columbia is reviewed in a very fraternal manner, Bro. Todd agreeing with the committee on the grand master's address, rather than with the grand master, as to the eligibility of a candidate who has lost part of the fore finger. He does not know why lodges in British Columbia are required to obtain dispensations before they can attend divine service, or a ball, in masonic clothing, as these dispensations are seldom, if ever, refused. We cannot, ourselves, see why a dispensation should be necessary in the first case, particularly as no fee is charged. We imagine the dispensation was made necessary in order that there should be some check on the lodges. In noticing our report Bro. Todd makes the statement that the Grand Lodge of New York has considerably larger membership than the Grand Lodge of England. Figures, please.

Our constitution, in substantially its present form, was adopted in 1856, and was largely borrowed from New York,

where Bro. A. T. C. Pierson, chairman of the committee on revision, was made a mason, and from the Ancient Constitutions, to which Section 8 particularly refers. The matter needs no further elucidation other than the statement that this clause was in full force and effect in Minnesota long before Minneapolis Lodge were ever dreamed of.

In 1903, the Grand Lodge of New York had a membership of one hundred and twenty-six thousand, one hundred, and seventy-seven, by actual count. In 1903 the United Grand Lodge of England claimed to have five hundred and fifty-two lodges in the metropolitan district with a membership of twenty-five thousand, and fourteen hundred lodges in the provinces with a membership of seventy thousand, a total of ninety-five thousand. This is simply an estimate, based upon fifty members to a lodge, and is considered rather high owing to dual membership. In the absence of statistics it may be safely taken that New York exceeds England by upwards of thirty thousand.

M.: W.: W. J. Bowser, Vancouver, Grand Master; V.: W.: R. E. Brett, Victoria, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. A. De Wolf Smith, New Westminster, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

CALIFORNIA, 1903.

The fifty-fourth annual communication was held at San Francisco, Oct. 13th to 17th, M.: W.: O. S. Henderson, Grand Master. Two hundred and sixty lodges represented; two hundred and seventy-six on the roll. Fourteen past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Eight dispensations for new lodges; two consolidations. Membership twenty-seven thousand and seventy-eight; gain two thousand, three hundred, and forty-three. Receipts \$37-456.46.

The death of Bro. E. M. Preston, past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The address is a lengthy but very readable report of the doings of the year, with many timely recommendations and pertinent observations. It is a great pity that such an efficient grand master should have only a single term.

The annual reports of the boards of relief show that San Francisco expended \$13,987.16; Los Angeles \$7,514.77; Oakland, \$1,141.70; Stockton, \$835.10; San Diego, \$471.35; and Sacramento, \$533.70. Five cases were from Minnesota, at a cost of \$237.50, which appears to have been refunded, together with \$131.45 on account.

The reports of the home show one hundred and nine inmates; cost of maintenance, \$26,664.55. A brick building containing an assembly hall and lodge room, and sixteen rooms for aged brethren, has been erected by Bro. Morris Siminoff, of San Francisco, at an expense of over \$30,000, who received due acknowledgments for his great liberality.

Charters were granted to the eight lodges under dispensation; an elaborate address was delivered by Bro. E. H. Hart, grand orator, followed by his election as junior grand warden; a memorial service was held for their deceased past grand master; two of the new lodges were constituted and their officers installed; the per capita tax was increased twenty cents for the payment of representatives; the committee on jurisprudence decided that a lodge dates from the issuance of its dispensation, and not of the charter; a beautiful silver set was presented to the retiring grand master, he having already been supplied with a jewel by Bro. Siminoff; and the deep and earnest sympathy of the grand lodge was extended to the master of a lodge, whose wife died the next morning after their arrival in the city.

Bro. W. A. Davies presented his usual exhaustive report on foreign correspondence, with a fraternal review of Minnesota, from which we reproduce the following:

W. Bro. W. C. Masterman, grand orator, delivered the oration of the session, for which he was thanked, and a copy requested for publication in the journal.

Bro. Irving Todd, chairman of correspondence, submits the report of that committee. In it he reviews the doings of the Grand Lodge of California in its fifty-second year, and the administration

of Grand Master Forshay. * * * The entire report is a fair summary of the condition and progress of American Masonry.

M. W. C. W. Nutting, Etna Mills, Grand Master; V. W. George Johnson, San Francisco, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. A. Davies, San Francisco, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

CANADA, 1904.

The forty-ninth annual communication was held at Brockville, July 20th and 21st, M. W. J. E. Harding, Grand Master. Three hundred and thirty-five lodges represented; three hundred and seventy-three on the roll. Nine past grand masters and our representative present.

Eight dispensations for new lodges. Membership thirty-two thousand, seven hundred, and eight; gain twenty-five hundred and twenty-three. Receipts \$26,077.68.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

The address is a practical business paper, with no allusions to the rolling around of another year, etc., etc.; the expenditures for benevolence were reported at \$14,475; seven pages of special dispensations were reported, most of them to install or to attend divine service; seven warrants and one dispensation were granted and four dispensations continued; the grand secretary was authorized to procure a complete set of undress regalia for the grand lodge officers from England, at a cost not to exceed \$200; the amount of debentures held by the grand lodge was stated at \$105,148.50, with \$6,008.01 cash in bank, a very comfortable financial showing; there were only four suspensions for masonic offenses in the jurisdiction during the year, an indication that the reputation of the craft was well maintained; a beautiful tribute to the fraternal dead was paid by the appropriate committee; the grand masters and grand secretaries of Nova Scotia and Quebec were welcomed as visitors; an appropriation of \$2,000 was made for the furnishing of new offices for the grand secretary; another committee on revision of the constitution was

appointed, to report next year; the board of benevolence was authorized to increase the donation one-half as a semi-centennial offering; and a suitable testimonial was voted to the retiring grand master.

A brief but comprehensive report on foreign correspondence was presented by Bro. Henry Robertson, his twenty-second, with a half page notice of Minnesota. It consists very largely of extracts, with no comments. He has been engaged in this work for one or more of the three grand bodies since 1867.

M.: W.: Benjamin Allen, Toronto, Grand Master; M.: W.: Hugh Murray, Hamilton, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. Henry Robertson, Collingwood, committee on foreign correspondence.

COLORADO, 1904.

The forty-fourth annual communication was held at Denver, Sept. 20th and 21st, M.: W.: J. R. Killian, Grand Master. One hundred and one lodges represented; one hundred and four on the roll. Twenty-five past grand masters present, our representative heading the list.

Four dispensations for new lodges. Membership ten thousand, five hundred, and fifty-nine; gain five hundred and fifty-eight. Receipts \$11,547.63.

The death of Bro. G. T. Cooper, deputy grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and a deceased past grand master.

A number of special dispensations were reported, mostly for examining candidates and balloting upon their advancement at special communications; a brief oration was delivered by Bro. John Humphreys, grand orator; the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was recognized; an instructive address was given by Bro. H. M. Teller, their senior past grand master and our representative; a series of instructions for lodges under dispensation were submitted by the special committee and adopted; three charters

were granted and one dispensation recalled; a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master; and a suitable testimonial was voted to Bro. W. D. Todd, the retiring grand secretary.

Bro. L. N. Greenleaf presented his customary report on correspondence, the twentieth from his ready pen. In another year he may safely be termed a veteran. Of Minnesota he says:

The grand master's address is not confined to official acts and dry details merely, but contains bright and inspiring thoughts for the guidance of the brethren. He seeks to define masonry more clearly and to enforce the meaning of its symbols and teachings.

Bro. J. C. Bennett, grand orator, delivered a very fine address on the general theme of Masonry. We have read it through and can bear testimony to its merits.

Bro. Irving Todd, as usual, furnishes the report on correspondence, and within the limits of one hundred pages concisely narrates the doings of sister grand lodges, Colorado for 1903 included. He quotes two of Grand Master Dean's decisions, but without comment. The business of the session is briefly sketched and a liberal quotation is made from our report.

Bro. Greenleaf believes the conferring of past grand rank upon deserving brethren to be an empty honor; that the attempt to adopt the customs of other rites and confer degrees on classes should receive no countenance whatever from those who would preserve the distinguishing features of symbolic masonry; that our fraternity suffers more than any other society from joint occupancy of lodge halls; that the power exercised by supreme councils over the symbolic degrees is an usurped one; that the proscription of the letter G by the Grand Master of Pennsylvania is the most iconoclastic deliverance of modern times; that the majority of the committees on correspondence are justly entitled to the commendation they receive for good work; that three times three are the proper grand honors; and that it is not a hardship to deprive the wardens of a peep at the ballot box before it is passed.

The very readable paper closes with the usual poem, but none of the versatile brother's recent efforts will ever

attain the popularity of *The Lodge Room Over Simpkin's Store*, published in their 1899 proceedings, and very widely reprinted.

The writer is indebted to the grand secretary for a copy of the magnificent volume containing a complete record of the Washington Centennial Memorial, which had its inception in Colorado, and was observed by all the lodges in that jurisdiction with appropriate exercises.

M.'. W.'. B. L. James, Grand Master; R.'. W.'. C. H. Jacobson, Grand Secretary; Bro. L. N. Greenleaf, chairman of the committee on correspondence; all of Denver.

CONNECTICUT, 1904.

The one hundred and sixteenth annual communication was held at Hartford, Jan. 20th and 21st, M.'. W.'. L. M. Woodford, Grand Master. The one hundred and ten lodges all represented. Eleven past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership nineteen thousand and forty-seven; gain five hundred and thirty-four. Receipts \$14,082.

The deaths of Bro. E. S. Quintard and Bro. W. W. Lee, past grand masters, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and three past grand officers.

The grand master wishes that the terms first, second, and third degrees might be abolished, using only the proper names of entered apprentice, fellow craft, master mason. His suggestion is a sound one.

The grand secretary reported the completion of their card registry, a long and toilsome undertaking, but worth all it cost.

A vote of sympathy was extended to a past grand master, absent through illness; the actual past master's degree was conferred upon about thirty brethren entitled to it; the committee on revision of constitution reported progress; a jewel

and apron were presented to the retiring grand master; and the report of the home shows sixty-two inmates; maintenance \$13,376.44.

A fine report on correspondence was prepared by the grand secretary, the tenth of an interesting series of valuable papers. Of Minnesota he fraternally says:

The report of the grand secretary shows the work of a painstaking officer.

An eloquent oration appropriate to the occasion was delivered by the grand orator, Bro. W. C. Masterman.

At the semi-centennial celebration the address of welcome was by the grand master, and the historical address was by the past grand master, G. R. Metcalf. We regret that space will not allow our reproducing them.

The report on correspondence is by Irving Todd, and is able and interesting. About one page is given to the review of Connecticut, without special comment. The important matters of the several grand lodges are briefly but plainly stated, with brief but timely comments.

Bro. Metcalf is grand historian instead of past grand master.

Bro. Barlow holds that the representative attending grand lodge should report to his lodge, giving an account of its important transactions; that degrees conferred by a well drilled corps of officers in robes are more impressive, both to the candidates and members; that a lodge must be in a dilapidated condition that does not have an attendance of at least seven; that if legitimate masonry is mainly confined to the United States and the British possessions, it ceases to be universal; that the Eastern Star is a valuable auxiliary in our benevolent work; that the presence of a lodge charter at all communications is indispensable; and that the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica is worthy of recognition.

M. W. G. E. Parsons, Norwich, Grand Master; M. W. J. H. Barlow, Hartford, reëlected Grand Secretary, and continued as committee on correspondence.

DELAWARE, 1904.

The ninety-eighth annual communication was held at Wilmington, Oct. 5th and 6th, M. W. C. H. Maull, Grand Mas-

ter. Twenty-two lodges on the roll. Nine past grand masters and our representative present.

Membership twenty-six hundred and two; gain ninety-eight. Receipts \$1,779.

The deaths of Bro. H. F. Pickels, past grand secretary and past grand treasurer, and Bro. Daniel McClintock, past grand master, were announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

Several distinguished visitors were present from New Jersey; full justice was done to the excellent dinners of the grand tyler; resolutions of sorrow were forwarded to the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania upon the death of Bro. G. E. Wagner, past grand master; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. L. H. Jackson submitted another of his highly concentrated reports on foreign correspondence, with the following allusions to Minnesota:

A fine oration was delivered by W. Bro. J. C. Bennett, grand orator.

Bro. Irving Todd presented a valuable report on correspondence, including a good review of Delaware for 1903.

M. W. R. H. Young, Grand Master; R. W. B. F. Bartram reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. L. H. Jackson, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence; all of Wilmington.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1903.

At the semi-annual communication the death of Bro. N. D. Larner, past grand master, was announced; the new jewels were submitted by special committee and accepted; the revised constitution considered *seriatim* and adopted; and congratulations extended to Bro. C. B. Smith, grand chaplain, upon attaining his eighty-fifth birthday.

The annual communication was held at Washington, Dec. 16th, M. W. G. H. Walker, Grand Master. Twenty-five

lodges represented; twenty-six on the roll. Nine past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership seven thousand and sixty-four; gain three hundred and fifty-three. Receipts \$7,784.40.

The death of Bro. J. N. Birckhead, grand tyler, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and Bro. N. D. Larner. There is also a cut of the monument to Bro. W. R. Singleton, dedicated July 25th.

The address, although very lengthy, contains nothing of general interest, being largely transcripts of the grand master's letter book.

The new librarian, Bro. Paul Neuhaus, was commissioned to prepare a card catalogue of the nearly four thousand volumes now on their shelves; an appropriation of \$25 was made to be donated to some worthy brother as a New Year's offering; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence was again the handiwork of Bro. G. W. Baird, who gives Minnesota nearly two pages of his limited space. We quote as follows:

Under the caption of Visitations the grand master said, "I have traveled eleven thousand, two hundred miles, and have made eighty-five visits to lodges." We lift our hat to so zealous a grand master, and feel grateful that our lodges are not so widely scattered.

The report contains excellent half tone portraits of the past grand masters, with their biographies. This alone makes the report of great value, not only to masons but to historians generally, and the Sons of the American Revolution especially. It is gratifying to note the intimate relation between the early patriots of the republic and free masonry, and it is equally gratifying to see how their successors have adhered to their paths.

The report on foreign correspondence is by Bro. Irving Todd, who has reviewed the proceedings of fifty-four grand lodges with the hand of a master editor, giving his readers a clear understanding of the doings of masons elsewhere. The District of Columbia receives friendly notice.

M. W. J. A. Wetmore, Grand Master; R. W. A. W. Johnston, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. G. W. Baird, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence; all of Washington.

FLORIDA, 1904.

The seventy-fifth annual communication was held at Jacksonville, Jan. 19th, 20th, and 21st, M. W. T. M. Puleston, Grand Master. One hundred and thirty-five lodges represented; one hundred and forty-nine on the roll. Ten past grand masters present, our representative included.

Five dispensations for new lodges; one charter restored. Membership five thousand, four hundred, and thirty-two; gain five hundred and twenty-seven. Receipts \$8,328.05.

The death of Bro. Warren Tyler, junior grand warden, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and the deceased grand warden.

Jewels were presented to two past grand masters; sympathies were wired to Bro. W. F. Bynum, past grand master, in his illness; the assessment of fifty cents per capita for a masonic home was rescinded; an interesting oration was delivered by Bro. H. S. Yerger, grand orator; a jewel was voted to the retiring grand master; three charters were granted and one dispensation continued; the past master's degree was conferred upon forty-four brethren; and a committee was appointed to make arrangements for the celebration of their seventy-fifth anniversary next year.

Bro. S. B. Wright presented his third report on correspondence, with a brief review of Minnesota, from which we quote:

We notice that all grand officers were installed except the grand orator and grand chaplain, "who were not present, and who will be installed in their respective lodges." Mention is made of this because such an installation is not recognized in Florida. It is common in several other of the older jurisdictions and under the English colonial grand lodges.

The evening of the first day was occupied by the ceremonies in celebration of the semi-centennial, a full account of which is published in the volume.

The correspondence report is by Bro. Irving Todd. He gives a brief review of Florida for 1902.

An interesting history of the building of the temple was submitted by Bro. Granville Beal, and printed as an appendix.

M.: W.: T. M. Puleston, Monticello, Grand Master, and R.: W.: W. P. Webster, Jacksonville, Grand Secretary, were reëlected; Bro. S. B. Wright, De Land, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

GEORGIA, 1904.

The one hundred and eighteenth annual communication was held at Macon, Oct. 25th, 26th, and 27th, M.: W.: Max Meyerhardt, Grand Master. Four hundred and fifty-five lodges represented; four hundred and sixty-one on the roll. Two past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership twenty-four thousand, one hundred, and twenty; gain twelve hundred and seventy-nine. Receipts \$26,265.

The death of Bro. W. E. Mumford, for many years chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence and founder of the industrial home at Macon, was announced.

A cut of the new masonic home is given as a frontispiece.

A somewhat lengthy address is devoted principally to local affairs; six pages of small type are filled with the names of past masters present not representing lodges, and nine more with the list of standing committees, even that of unfinished business having sixty-three members, with absolutely nothing to report; sympathy was wired to a past master critically ill at Columbus; the masonic home was dedicated the first day, with several brief addresses; the grand master was vindicated from certain attacks in a local masonic journal; the prohibition law was amended so as to include those managing a dispensary, but permitting them to serve out their present term of office; a resolution to restrict committees to nine members was amended allowing the grand master to appoint as many as he sees proper; past masters in attendance were allowed \$4 per

diem, and there were two hundred and sixty-one of them; a collection of \$58.95 was taken for the industrial home; the committee on appeals and grievances recommended the expulsion of seventy-three for unmasonic conduct and forty-five for gross unmasonic conduct; eleven brethren were restored to membership; the grand lodges of Western Australia and Queensland were recognized, and the application of the Grand Orient of Brazil deferred; a special committee was appointed to make good the loss of the contractors in building the masonic home, estimated at \$2,628.96; the compensation of the foreign correspondence committee was increased from \$100 to \$150; the grand treasurer was relieved from liability for a deposit of \$2,000 in a broken bank; an invitation to attend the state fair was accepted, this year without expense; and six charters were granted, two refused, one surrendered, and five restored.

Bro. A. Q. Moody submitted his fourth report on foreign correspondence, an interesting paper, in which he says:

Bro. Irving Todd, as usual, makes a good report. A complete epitome of Georgia affairs for 1903 is given in a review of a little more than two pages. Referring to our Latin quotation of last year in regard to large committees that "out of many councilors comes wisdom," he comes back at us with the old saying, "too many cooks spoil the broth." Now, if Bro. Todd will give his candid opinion, he will acknowledge that too many cooks did not spoil the broth, but that our legislation was characterized by wisdom and moderation.

Certainly, everything was harmonious, and why shouldn't it be with nearly the entire membership with the exception of the grand master and the grand tyler serving on committees.

M.: W.: Max Meyerhardt, Rome, Grand Master, and R.: W.: W. A. Wolihin, Macon, Grand Secretary, were reelected; Bro. A. Q. Moody, Boston, committee on foreign correspondence.

IDAHO, 1904.

The thirty-seventh annual communication was held at Boise, Sept. 13th, 14th, and 15th, M.: W.: J. M. Cowen,

Grand Master. Thirty-one lodges represented; thirty-four on the roll. Seven past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership nineteen hundred and fifty-four; gain two hundred and fifty-six. Receipts \$9,174.18.

A group of the grand lodge is given as a frontispiece.

The twelve decisions occupy four pages of space in the address, and are not worth it; the grand treasurer's report is an intelligent summary of their financial transactions, in marked contrast with the petty details submitted by the grand secretary, who fills five more pages than the grand master; a condenser seems to be badly needed in Idaho; the applications of Costa Rica and Valle de Mexico for recognition were granted, and those of Western Australia, Brazil, and Queensland postponed; an appropriation of \$500 was made for a monument at the grave of Bro. E. A. Stevenson, past grand master; a reception and banquet were tendered by the local brethren; the salary of the grand secretary was increased to \$600, with \$200 back pay, which is certainly little enough for the necessary work; provision was made to keep the grand lecturer in the field another year; charters were granted to the three lodges under dispensation; several amendments to the grand lodge by-laws in relation to installation of lodge officers and close of the fiscal year were adopted; and the signet ring transferred to the incoming grand master.

Bro. G. E. Knepper prepared another of his highly concentrated reports on foreign correspondence, with very fraternal references to Minnesota. He says the grand master and grand orator vied with each other in quoting poetry, with the latter one line behind; that the grand master speaks eloquently of masonry, reproducing two paragraphs to prove it; that the report of the committee on masonic home was a valuable one, and will doubtless end the matter here for some years to come; and quotes approvingly a little of what he styles our gentle criticism.

Bro. Knepper is of the opinion that a candidate for the

degrees should at least be able to read and write; that the attendance of masonic bodies on divine service is peculiarly fitting and proper; that the time is coming when decisive action will be taken upon the matter of smoking in lodge rooms; that the way to have a flourishing lodge is to put the brightest men in the chairs and keep them there; and that making masons at sight is so absolutely ancient that its practice among thinking grand masters has become positively obsolete.

M.: W.: A. W. Gordon, Kendrick, Grand Master; R.: W.: T. W. Randall, Boise, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. G. E. Knepper, Moscow, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

ILLINOIS, 1904.

The sixty-fifth annual communication was held at Chicago, Oct. 4th, 5th, and 6th, M.: W.: W. B. Wright, Grand Master. Seven hundred and nine lodges represented; seven hundred and thirty-two on the roll. Seven past grand masters and our representative present.

Eight dispensations for new lodges. Membership seventy thousand, nine hundred, and twenty-one; gain four thousand, two hundred, and fifty-four. Receipts \$42,133.60.

The annual address is a concise statement of the business of the year.

The eloquent oration of Bro. Owen Scott, past grand master, at the dedication of the home in Sullivan, was printed in the proceedings; the recommendation that the grand secretary be admitted to the Association of M. W. Graybeards was adopted; the revision of the grand lodge by-laws was seconded, and lies over a year; a brief but readable oration was delivered by Bro. W. A. Northcott, grand orator; the report of the home at Sullivan showed \$28,276.46 expenditures, and that at Chicago \$28,233.92, number of inmates in the latter, eighty-two; seven charters were granted to lodges under dispensation; an amendment to the by-laws,

providing that no lodge shall be named after any living person, was adopted; \$15,000 was appropriated to the home at Chicago, \$12,000 to that at Sullivan, and \$500 for the purchase of the history of their first grand lodge, compiled by Bro. J. C. Smith, past grand master; the Grand Lodge of Western Australia was recognized and a number of others turned down; and several past grand masters from Wisconsin and New Jersey were welcomed as visitors, with a brilliant display of oratory.

The report on masonic correspondence, by Bro. Joseph Robbins, is not only the longest, but also one of the best, of the year, well worth the \$500 compensation allowed for his arduous labor. If we were to spring a document of three hundred and forty pages upon our grand lodge it is feared that the chairman of the committee on appropriations would drop dead from heart failure. After our usual custom we give the following paragraphs from the review of Minnesota:

A portrait of the retiring grand master (H. R. Adams), a work of art of unusual excellence, makes the frontispiece of the Minnesota volume.

After running a lively parliamentary gauntlet a way through the tangle was found for the revision, the code was duly healed, and the body again knew "where it was at."

The grand lodge listened to an address of more than usual interest and felicity of style by J. C. Bennett, grand orator.

The report on correspondence is again by Bro. Irving Todd, who this year takes the bits in his teeth and rounds out a full one hundred pages. That there is method in his recklessness is shown by the fact that the expansion of his report means no loss in quality. He epitomizes with his usual success the proceedings of our grand lodge for 1903.

M.: W.: W. B. Wright, Effingham, Grand Master, and R.: W.: J. H. C. Dill, Bloomington, Grand Secretary, were reelected; Bro. Joseph Robbins, Quincy, committee on correspondence.

INDIANA, 1904.

The eighty-third annual meeting was held at Indianapolis, May 24th and 25th, M.: W.: W. E. English, Grand Master. Five hundred and fourteen lodges represented; five

hundred and seventeen on the roll. Sixteen past grand masters present, our representative included.

Six dispensations for new lodges. Membership forty thousand, one hundred, and ninety-nine; gain twenty-eight hundred and seventy-one. Receipts \$22,512.05.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and the grand secretary.

The address refers principally to local matters, with nothing new in the decisions reported.

Charters were granted to the six lodges under dispensation; the claim of the deceased grand secretary was allowed, the \$800 to be paid to his widow; No. 596, a new lodge, was allowed to take the number 318 of a defunct lodge, which is not only an injustice, but a complication of the records; the committee on jurisprudence recommended that not more than three candidates be admitted to the first section of the third degree at one time, and then only in cases of necessity; the form of petitions was changed to include rejections, if any; a grand inspector was provided for at a salary of \$600 per year and actual expenses; and jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The annual review of grand lodge proceedings was prepared by Bro. Daniel McDonald, an old hand at the business. Of Minnesota he writes:

The question of the establishment of a masonic home was very thoroughly considered. The committee's report was the most elaborate and complete of any previously made. A concise statement of the financial condition of the fifteen masonic homes now established and in operation and much other useful information in regard to matters pertaining to their organization and management was procured by the committee and inserted in their report, which is printed in full in the proceedings. It is an exceedingly valuable document for those jurisdictions which have the masonic home craze on the brain, and should be preserved for future reference.

Grand Orator Bro. J. C. Bennett delivered a lengthy and eloquent oration, which is printed in full in the proceedings.

Bro. Irving Todd reviews the proceedings of other grand lodges in one hundred pages, Indiana, 1903, being briefly noticed.

M. W. G. E. Grimes, Ladoga, Grand Master; R. W. C. W. Prather, Indianapolis, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. Daniel McDonald, Plymouth, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

INDIAN TERRITORY, 1904.

The thirty-first annual communication was held at Claremore, Aug. 9th and 10th, M. W. P. D. Brewer, Grand Master. One hundred and eleven lodges represented; one hundred and twenty-five on the roll. Nine past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Fifteen dispensations for new lodges. Membership five thousand, six hundred, and sixty-nine; gain four hundred and two. Receipts \$8,191.75.

The death of Bro. B. G. Martin, grand lecturer, was announced.

The portrait is that of a past grand master.

The grand master reported that two negro lodges had been organized in that jurisdiction, and warned the brethren to have nothing to do with them.

The following decision is a specimen of the absurd questions that are being everlastingly propounded to the rulers of the craft:

Can a brother, a member of a lodge in every way worthy and qualified by former service as master of the lodge, be elected as worshipful master of the lodge to which he belongs, although unavoidably absent on the night of election of officers? Yes.

The amount of the orphans' home fund was stated at \$21,665.34, and a donation of \$4,000 was made from the grand lodge funds; a somewhat lengthy address was delivered by Bro. S. C. Fullerton, grand orator; a past grand master from Oklahoma was received with the grand honors; the request of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico for recognition was deferred for further consideration; a committee on charity was appointed, with a contingent fund of \$500; several breth-

ren resigned all but one of their commissions as grand representatives in order that the honors might be more generally distributed; fifteen charters were granted to lodges under dispensation; the salary of the grand secretary was increased from \$800 to \$1,000, a well deserved recognition of a hard working officer; and the by-laws were amended, making the committee on necrology a standing one, and increasing the number of all standing committees from three to five members.

Bro. T. C. Humphry gives us another of his genial reports on foreign correspondence, with the following comments upon Minnesota:

This scribe thinks that Grand Secretary Montgomery arranged the list of grand representatives in an excellent way. At the last grand lodge of the Indian Territory I prepared a roll and introduced the grand representatives to the grand lodge, and they were received with grand honors, but the roll was not printed. Our grand secretary, Bro. Murrow, was too modest to put his name as representing several states.

Bro. Irving Todd submitted the report on foreign correspondence, covering one hundred pages. Fraternal mention was made of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of the Indian Territory at its annual communication in 1902 and also 1903, and Bro. Todd draws the Book of the Law on us upon the subject of whiskers.

W. Bro. J. C. Bennett, the grand orator, delivered an oration, which was published with the proceedings.

M. W. W. O. Bruton, Muldrow, Grand Master; R. W. J. S. Murrow, Atoka, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. T. C. Humphry, South McAlester, committee on correspondence.

IOWA, 1904.

The sixty-first annual communication was held at Sioux City, June 7th, 8th, and 9th, M. W. C. C. Clark, Grand Master. Four hundred and sixty-six lodges represented; five hundred and four on the roll. Nine past-grand masters present.

Three dispensations for new lodges; one consolidation. Membership thirty-four thousand, five hundred, and eighty-three; gain thirteen hundred and sixty-two. Receipts \$30,-459.55.

The death of Bro. John Scott, past grand master, was announced.

A group of grand and past grand officers is given as a frontispiece. The portrait is of the grand master, with single column cuts of the elective officers.

The address is a practical business paper, reviewing the work of the year. The decisions are purely local.

The report of the librarian shows the usual accessions, with a tendency to limit its growth to publications of a masonic character; thanks were extended to the Grand Chapter O. E. S. for the handsome memorial case presented to the library; fraternal greetings were exchanged with Wisconsin, Nebraska, and Nova Scotia by wire; Bro. J. W. Wells, Grand Commander, was received with masonic honors; regrets were forwarded two absent past grand officers, detained at home by illness; two charters were granted and one dispensation continued; the custodians were directed to inquire into the proper manner of examining a visitor, and report next year; a grand lodge historian was provided for; a number of amendments to the code were adopted, and a new edition ordered; thanks were extended to the brethren and citizens of Sioux City for their generous entertainment; the appropriation to the grand charity fund was increased \$1,500; and the grand master elect was presented with a fine silk hat.

The committee appointed last year to ascertain the correct height of the pillars at the entrance of King Solomon's Temple submitted an exhaustive report, profusely illustrated with cuts of ancient buildings and ruins, with a description of each. It was found that in fourteen jurisdictions the height is given at eighteen cubits, in one at thirty cubits, and in twenty-seven at thirty-five cubits, nine grand lodges not reporting. The recommendation that the second degree work be so changed as to give the height of Jachin and Boaz at eighteen cubits in accordance with the scriptural

version was adopted, which is undoubtedly literally correct. Those interested in the subject should call at our grand lodge library and examine this valuable paper for themselves.

The report on fraternal correspondence is from the facile pen of Bro. J. E. Morcombe, a worthy successor of our old friend, Bro. Coxe. The following extracts are from the three pages found under the head of Minnesota :

The grand orator, Bro. J. C. Bennett, is declared to have held his audience spellbound for over one-half hour. We thought this spellbinding business happened only in political gatherings. We can imagine an audience of masons becoming deeply interested or profoundly thoughtful while listening to some great orator expounding the truths and beauties of the fraternity, but we would like a photograph of a grand lodge while spellbound.

The committee on masonic home presents a very valuable report, detailing what has been done in other jurisdictions for institutional charity, and analyzing the sentiment as evoked by their circular. The whole matter coming up as a special order on the second day of session, was indefinitely postponed by a large majority.

Bro. Irving Todd's report on correspondence is a model for clarity and condensation, the proceedings of fifty-seven jurisdictions being thoroughly reviewed within the limits of one hundred pages. Iowa for 1903 is well synopsisized in less than two pages. * * * Our entire proceedings appear to meet Bro. Todd's approval.

The sincere sympathy of the guild is extended to Bro. Morcombe in the recent loss of a beloved daughter.

M. W. Sumner Miller, Guttenberg, Grand Master ; R. W. N. R. Parvin, Cedar Rapids, reëlected Grand Secretary ; Bro. J. E. Morcombe, Cedar Rapids, committee on fraternal correspondence.

KANSAS, 1904.

The forty-eighth annual communication was held at Topeka, Feb. 17th and 18th, M. W. B. G. Brown, Grand Master. Two hundred and sixty-three lodges represented ; three hundred and sixty-four on the roll. Eleven past grand masters and our representative present.

Four dispensations for new lodges; one charter restored. Membership twenty-four thousand, seven hundred, and forty-two; gain eleven hundred and seventy-five. Receipts \$25,-894.06.

The death of Bro. W. D. Thompson, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master, six past grand masters, and one past deputy grand master. They are accompanied by brief biographical sketches.

The address is a comprehensive resume of the year's transaction, and although lengthy is quite readable. There are no decisions.

The grand masters of Colorado and Missouri were welcomed as visitors; five charters were granted and one dispensation held in abeyance; recognition of the Grand Lodge Cosmos was refused, and several others laid over for future action; a special committee was appointed to gather historical matter and relics, to coöperate in the further indexing of the library, and to consider the advisability of a suitable celebration of the approaching fiftieth anniversary, which will undoubtedly keep them busy during the ensuing twelve months; the master mason's degree was exemplified "in the standard dramatized form, with full costumes and accessories;" a very interesting oration was delivered by Bro. J. P. de B. Kaye, dean of Grace Cathedral; a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master by his local lodge and a few personal friends; the report of the home gave forty-four inmates, maintenance \$9,164.32; an appropriation was made to provide aprons for each living past grand master not already supplied; the special committee on ritual recommended a change in the grand honors and the publication of the ritual in cipher form; district deputy grand masters were provided for, without compensation other than necessary expenses; and the local brethren were thanked for their courteous hospitality.

The report on correspondence is a formidable document of three hundred and fifty pages, and Bro. W. M. Shaver earns the \$300 paid for his services. Minnesota has five pages, in which are found the following:

The volume before us is one of more than usual interest. It records the transactions of the semi-centennial communication and of the Golden Jubilee celebration of the grand lodge, and is a veritable picture gallery of the masonic celebrities of Minnesota.

The address of the grand master, M.'. W.'. A. D. Countryman, was a concise statement of the work of the year.

The grand master was worried about the army of non-affiliates. * * * The remedy, in our judgment, may be given in this nutshell. Make the work interesting and impressive; keep the lodge a true masonic home; and get a good secretary.

Bro. Irving Todd, chairman, "for the committee," presented a short report of eighty-one pages, of which Kansas for 1902 receives about a page. Of course the treatment of our transactions was necessarily brief and consisted only of condensed abstract. There was no adverse criticism.

The principal events upon the programme were an historical address by W.'. G. R. Metcalf, of St. Paul, and an address by Past Deputy Grand Master, R.'. W.'. G. H. Davis, of Mankato, who was introduced as the silver tongued orator of the grand lodge. His address was an eloquent masonic dissertation, but the effort of W.'. Bro. Metcalf, well called the historian of the grand lodge, is a work of great and permanent value, covering about seventy-five pages.

We commend an examination of this historic work to all students of American pioneer masonry.

M.'. W.'. T. G. Fitch, Wichita, Grand Master; R.'. W.'. A. K. Wilson, Topeka, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. M. Shaver, Topeka, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

KENTUCKY, 1904.

The one hundred and fourth annual communication was held at Louisville, Oct. 18th, 19th, and 20th, M.'. W.'. O. D. Thomas, Grand Master. Four hundred and sixty-five lodges represented; four hundred and seventy-six on the roll. Seventeen past grand masters present.

Ten dispensations for new lodges; four charters surrendered and two arrested. Membership twenty-five thousand, four hundred, and sixteen; gain eighteen hundred and sixty-nine. Receipts \$25,811.23.

The deaths of Bro. J. Soule Smith and Bro. J. A. Mc Kenzie, past grand masters, and Bro. C. M. Hobson, grand pursuivant, were announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The address is a practical, dignified presentation of affairs in that jurisdiction, hardly to be expected from the boyish countenance facing the front cover. Bro. Thomas must be a Lewis.

Eleven charters were granted and one dispensation continued; the grand lodge declared that the making of ciphers was forbidden in the entered apprentice degree; the committee on the Staton library recommended that the matter be referred to a new committee; a lodge charter was arrested for failure to answer a citation; the constitutional amendment providing for biennial sessions was indefinitely postponed; a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master; the committee on masonic jurisprudence held that a master mason should wear his apron with the left lower corner tucked up, which is in accord with the Minnesota work if not its practice; recognition was extended to Western Australia, Costa Rica, and Queensland, and action upon Brazil postponed; and the committee on the new masonic temple reported that the expenses were \$6,500 in excess of the rents, recommending certain changes to improve the unfortunate financial situation.

The chronological index of the grand lodge is concluded, having been brought down to 1900. It closes with a brief review of the prominent events of the century and a number of cuts of the old temple, burned last year, and the masonic home.

Bro. W. W. Clarke resumes his place at the round table, after an absence of seven years. He writes a good report. Our query concerning The Masonic brings out the following:

The chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence, Bro. Irving Todd, submitted an admirable report, in which Kentucky for 1903 is fraternally and courteously noticed, though we are of opinion that a little investigation, if the exercise of a little

mental energy was not sufficient, would have answered the parenthetical question in regard to the Masonic. We remember when a boy, attending a country school, we were taught that words that were inclosed in parenthesis might be omitted without impairing the sense. A good illustration this.

Yes, but The Masonic what?

Bro. Clarke is not aware that blank cartridges were written, yet edicts are, and often, as Ike Partington once remarked, more than there is any necessary for.

M.: W.: R. H. C. Rhea, Morganfield, Grand Master; R.: W.: H. B. Grant, Louisville, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. W. Clarke, Owensboro, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

LOUISIANA, 1904.

The ninety-second annual communication was held at New Orleans, Feb. 1st, 2d, and 3d, M.: W.: R. R. Reid, Grand Master. Ninety-six lodges represented; one hundred and fifty-one on the roll. Six past grand masters present, our representative absent.

Seven dispensations for new lodges. Membership, exclusive of lodges not making returns and under dispensation, seven thousand, seven hundred, and forty. Receipts, including rents, sales of lots, etc., \$31,020.27.

The report of the directors stated that the temple debt had been reduced to \$6,000, with six years to pay it in, very gratifying news to all concerned; eight charters were granted and one dispensation continued; it was resolved that the private grand honors be given a past grand master but once during an annual communication, which leads to the query, why give them at all? two petitions for new lodges were referred to the grand master elect; a resolution limiting the grand master's tenure of office to one year was not adopted; the donation of \$1,500 from the Grand Chapter of Louisiana for a widows' and orphans' relief fund was adopted with thanks; the salary of the grand lecturer was increased to

\$1,500 and that of the grand secretary to \$1,800 per year, without any allowance for incidental expenses; and it was voted to pay traveling expenses to the grand officers and one representative from each lodge at future sessions.

Bro. H. C. Duncan presented his usual able report on foreign correspondence. Minnesota's two pages are chiefly extracts.

M. W. L. P. Delahoussaye, Grand Master; R. W. Richard Lambert reelected Grand Secretary; both of New Orleans; Bro. H. C. Duncan, Alexandria, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

MAINE, 1904.

The eighty-fifth annual communication was held at Portland, May 3d, 4th, and 5th. M. W. W. J. Burnham, Grand Master. One hundred and ninety lodges represented; one hundred and ninety-nine on the roll. Eleven past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership twenty-four thousand, six hundred, and eleven; gain six hundred and seventy-one. Receipts \$8,193.55.

The deaths of Bro. W. S. Choate and Bro. J. A. Locke, past grand masters, were announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

Nothing of general interest is found in the address or the five decisions reported, other than a communication from their representative near the Grand Lodge of Belgium defending the relations of the latter body with the Grand Orient of France.

The grand master declined reelection owing to incompatible circumstances; the grand treasurer reported the purchase of the Drummond library at \$578.05; the corresponding grand secretary was also made librarian; recognition of the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica was again deferred; four lodge histories were received during the year; one charter was granted and one dispensation continued; and the proposed

amendment to the constitution in favor of dual membership was not adopted.

The report on foreign correspondence was again submitted by Bro. A. E. Chase, who finds space for three pages of extracts from the Minnesota proceedings. He says:

The oration upon the subject, Masonry, delivered by Bro. J. C. Bennett, grand orator, appears in the appendix and is full of instruction.

Bro. Irving Todd presented the report on foreign correspondence. Maine for 1903 receives a page of notice. We quote the most of it to show the style of Bro. Todd.

M. W. H. R. Chaplin, Bangor, Grand Master; R. W. Stephen Berry, Portland, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. A. E. Chase, Portland, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

MANITOBA, 1904.

The twenty-ninth annual communication was held at Edmonton, June 8th and 9th, M. W. E. A. Braithwaite, Grand Master. Sixty-eight lodges represented; seventy-five on the roll. Four past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership four thousand, two hundred, and seventy-four; gain four hundred and sixty-three. Receipts \$4,669.90.

The address was the shortest of the year, only three pages, devoted to home affairs.

An address of welcome was read by the mayor; the new hall of the local lodge was dedicated; a handsome chain collar was presented to the junior past grand master and a diamond studded bar for his jewel to a past master; the usual number of special dispensations were reported; four charters were granted and three dispensations continued; thanks were returned to the local brethren for their great kindness; and twelve brethren were invested with the rank of past district deputy grand master.

M. W. A. Chisholm, Macgregor, Grand Master; M. W. J. A. Ovas, Winnipeg, reëlected Grand Secretary.

MARYLAND, 1903.

The one hundred and seventeenth annual communication was held at Baltimore, Nov. 17th, M. W. T. J. Shryock, Grand Master. Ninety-nine lodges represented; one hundred and six on the roll. One past grand master present.

Membership nine thousand, four hundred, and thirty-seven; gain three hundred and fifteen. Receipts \$31,855.17.

The portraits are of Bro. C. H. Ohr, past grand master, the grand secretary, and Bro. W. M. Isaac, the newly appointed grand secretary.

The death of Bro. C. H. Ohr, their ranking past grand master, was announced at the semi-annual meeting, aged ninety-three years.

An apron and collar, presented to Capt. William Forbes by a lodge at Rio de Janeiro in 1873, was turned over to the veteran association for preservation.

Owing to his increasing infirmities Bro. J. H. Medairy declined reelection, and was appointed grand secretary emeritus for life, with the usual salary. He had ably filled the position in the south-east for forty years.

The report on foreign correspondence was again prepared by the veteran Bro. E. T. Schultz, who was present this year in person. We quote:

An oration was delivered before the grand lodge by the grand orator, Bro. W. C. Masterman, which appears in the printed proceedings.

This being the Golden Jubilee of the grand lodge, the occasion was celebrated with interesting ceremonies. An elaborate programme was then carried out, consisting of selections of music by the choir, and numerous addresses. The historical address was delivered by W. B. G. W. Metcalf.

The report on correspondence was, as usual, presented by Bro. Irving Todd. Bro. Todd gives a page notice to our 1902 proceedings, consisting of a synopsis of the transactions of the several communications held that year, but, as last year, he does not give us any comment.

M. W. T. J. Shryock was reelected Grand Master; R. W. W. M. Isaac, Grand Secretary; Bro. E. T. Schultz, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence; all of Baltimore.

MASSACHUSETTS, 1903.

The annual communication was held at Boston, Dec. 9th, M. W. Baalis Sanford, Grand Master, the one hundred and seventieth anniversary. One hundred and ninety lodges represented; two hundred and thirty-six on the roll. Three past grand masters present.

Three dispensations for new lodges in China. Membership forty-five thousand, one hundred, and seventy; gain seventeen hundred and fifty-five. Receipts including rents \$85,-695.44.

The death of Bro. Samuel Wells, past grand master, was announced, and his portrait is given in the proceedings.

The grand officers were installed on St. John's Day, followed by the annual feast.

M. W. Baalis Sanford, Brockton, Grand Master, and R. W. S. D. Nickerson, Boston, Recording Secretary, were reëlected.

MICHIGAN, 1904.

The sixtieth annual communication was held at Lansing, Jan. 26th and 27th, M. W. R. W. Broughton, Grand Master. Three hundred and eighty-five lodges represented; three hundred and ninety on the roll. Fourteen past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership forty-nine thousand, seven hundred, and twenty-four; gain twenty-three hundred and forty-four. Receipts \$26,324.40.

The deaths of Bro. G. H. Durand, past grand master, Bro. A. M. Clark, past grand master and grand lecturer for twenty-three years, and Bro. J. S. Conover, grand secretary, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and the deceased past grand officers.

The following is found among the approved decisions:

1. A certain lodge desires to confer upon one of its members, who has never been elected or installed or served as either warden or worshipful master, the honorary degree of past master. Would such action be either legal or proper? No. The conferring of this honorary degree is not one of the powers delegated to constituent lodges. * * * Some other method not contrary to the usages and customs of masonry should be employed in honoring deserving brothers.

The conferring of past rank, although undoubtedly in most cases with the kindest of motives, has become so common in many jurisdictions that the distinction is of little value to the recipient. If the members of a lodge are desirous of complimenting a brother by making him a past master, why not elect him to the office and let the rank take care of itself?

Fraternal greetings were wired to four past grand masters, absent through illness; the committee on German work reported its completion, and were discharged; the reports of the home show fifty-two inmates, maintenance \$9,664.26; the time of holding the annual communication was changed to the fourth Tuesday in May; two days' extra pay was voted to representatives from the Upper Peninsula; recognition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was laid over a year; one charter was granted, two dispensations continued, and one charter revoked; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence was the first effort of the grand secretary in this direction, and it is good work, square and true. Five pages of fraternal review appear under the head of Minnesota, two years of our proceedings being under consideration.

Concerning non-affiliates he says:

We would say to our Minnesota brethren that in Michigan we found justifiable reason for new law upon this subject, and we adopted the course of refusing to grant dimitts to brethren who maintained their residence in this state, except for the purpose of joining another lodge. If a brother desires to withdraw from the fraternity entirely, we grant him a withdrawal certificate. This law has proved very satisfactory in Michigan since it was put in operation.

Our experience has been that non-affiliation is largely the result of striking from the rolls for non payment of dues.

which are allowed to accumulate from year to year by the careless or negligent secretary beyond the present ability of the brother to pay. Prompt collections would remedy the evil to a very great extent.

M. W. F. E. Turrell, Bellaire, Grand Master; R. W. L. B. Winsor, Reed City, reelected Grand Secretary.

MISSISSIPPI, 1904.

The eighty-sixth annual communication was held at Greenville, Feb. 18th and 19th, M. W. E. N. Thomas, Grand Master. Two hundred and fifty-nine lodges represented; two hundred and eighty-eight on the roll. Eleven past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Three dispensations for new lodges; one charter surrendered and one arrested; one consolidation. Membership eleven thousand, four hundred, and fifty-seven; gain four hundred and ninety-one. Receipts \$9,320.30.

The deaths of Bro. J. L. Spinks and Bro. John Riley, past grand masters, were announced.

An elegant trowel was presented to the grand master by the supervisors of Lauderdale County; sixteen decisions were reported by the law committee, none of general interest; the Grand Lodge of Western Australia was recognized; the regulations were amended permitting the establishment of a new lodge within the ten-mile limit when deemed for the good of the craft; seven charters and four dispensations were granted and one dispensation continued; the salary of the grand lecturer was fixed at \$100 per month and expenses; and thanks were returned to the citizens for their uniform courtesy and kindness.

Bro. A. H. Barkley prepared his customary report on foreign correspondence, devoting a page to a fraternal review of Minnesota, from which are reproduced the following:

A most interesting oration was delivered by Bro. W. C. Masterman, grand orator, showing what masonry has done in the world.

The Golden Jubilee of the grand lodge, which was organized in 1853, was celebrated Feb. 24th, 1903, at St. Paul. The programme was splendidly arranged and furnished subjects for real enjoyment. The historical address was delivered by Bro. G. R. Metcalf, in which he brought forth things both new and old, to the great delight of all present.

The report on fraternal correspondence was prepared and submitted by Bro. Irving Todd, and, like all the former productions of his pen, bears the imprint of thoughtful study and research.

M. W. T. U. Sisson, Winona, Grand Master; M. W. Frederic Speed, Vicksburg, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. A. H. Barkley, Crawford, committee on fraternal correspondence.

MISSOURI, 1904.

The eighty-fourth annual communication was held at St. Louis, Sept. 27th, 28th, and 29th, M. W. W. F. Kuhni, Grand Master. Three hundred and eighty-nine lodges represented; five hundred and fifty-nine on the roll. Eighteen past grand masters and our representative present.

Ten dispensations for new lodges. Three charters arrested, one suspended, and one revoked; one consolidation. Membership thirty-nine thousand and eighty; gain thirteen hundred and ninety-six. Receipts \$39,049.75.

The deaths of Bro. K. M. Deane, grand chaplain, and Bro. Henry Lihou, for many years chairman of the committee on pay roll, were announced.

There was a vacancy in the south-east owing to the serious illness of Bro. J. D. Vincil, whose death occurred Oct. 12th. He was grand master in 1866 and 1868, had been grand secretary and chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence since 1877, and was unanimously reëlected at the present session. A portrait, biography, and account of his golden jubilee, observed Aug. 13th, preface the proceedings. Dr. Vincil was one of the ablest men in that jurisdiction, and since his first appearance in 1859 has taken a leading part in the transactions of the grand

lodge and in shaping its legislation. As a grand secretary he had few equals and no superior, his annual reports on correspondence were strong and vigorous, and the writer deplores his loss, not only as a mason, but as a personal friend.

There is also a portrait of the grand master, and cuts of the jewels presented to Bro. Vincil and to the grand lodge.

The following amusing episode is reported in the address:

I had granted a dispensation to rebalot on two candidates, which resulted in their election. From the subsequent denouement, the member who had cast the black ball for the good (?) of the fraternity was evidently asleep when the ballot was respread. For, soon thereafter, I received a courteous, ungrammatical letter, based upon the latest phonetic spelling, stating "that he was compelled to enter objections to these candidates receiving the degreés, not on account of unworthiness, but because the grand master did not understand the laws and usages of the fraternity, and to discourage such ignorance an objection was deemed necessary." There are many sad things in a grand master's career, but this was most too hard to bear; yet I am reminded that every beautiful May sunshine has its obscuring cloud; a luscious peach may contain a worm; and every tragedy has its comedian.

Fraternal greetings were received from the Grand Master of Illinois; the Grand Master of Arkansas and several distinguished brethren from Kansas, Iowa, and Tennessee were welcomed as visitors; the report of the home showed one hundred and forty-six inmates, maintenance \$23,467.18; the proposed constitutional amendments were announced as defeated, only one-fifth of the lodges having taken action thereon; a handsome gold-headed cane was presented to Bro. Allan McDowell, grand lecturer, for long and faithful services; the grand master presented an official jewel, to be worn by his successors; recognition was extended to the grand lodges of Queensland, Costa Rica, the Three Globes, Germany, Royal York, Saxony, Eclectic Union, Zur Sonne, Zur Eintracht, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, and Netherlands in a job lot, while those of Hamburg, Hun-

gary, Alpina, Belgium, Italy, and Peru were unaccountably deferred; a committee was appointed to prepare a suitable design for a past grand master's jewel, so that those entitled may provide themselves with one at their own expense; charters were granted to the ten lodges under dispensation; an oration was delivered by Bro. W. R. Gentry, grand orator; the state was re-divided into fifty-six districts; the committee on nomenclature reported that the proper titles were grand senior deacon, grand junior deacon, etc.; and an appropriation of \$100 was made for a tombstone over the grave of Bro. W. B. Carnegie, past grand master.

The grand secretary presented his last report on foreign correspondence, although hardly able physically for the great labor involved. Minnesota is fraternally noticed in four pages, from which are taken the following extracts:

An address of sixteen pages was submitted by the grand master. It contains a chaste and poetic opening, which was followed by a tribute to the honored dead of the jurisdiction. * * * In concluding my review of the grand master's address, I want to add an expression of appreciation of his merit as a grand officer, and present my congratulations to him for the beautiful poetic manifestations, which appear as so many grace notes in the document.

The grand orator, Bro. J. C. Bennett, delivered an oration of eleven pages, small type. The record says that it was an interesting oration, holding his audience "spellbound for over half an hour." Our brethren of Minnesota, with the grand master and grand orator, seem to be happily endowed with poetic fire, and sweeten their labors with the spirit of poesy.

If Bro. Montgomery will allow me to suggest that renewing registers every time those on hand are filled up will be found to be a troublesome and expensive business. I escaped that several years ago by adopting the card register system, which I can recommend as far preferable to a grand lodge book register.

"Bro. Irving Todd for the committee" furnished the report of the year, covering one hundred pages embodying notices of fifty-seven grand lodge journals. The review is largely written, and the reader favored with occasional extracts from the proceedings examined, making the production well worth reading. Missouri for 1903 received two pages in the way of courtesy, in which the various points of interest received due consideration. The report of this writer on correspondence was alluded to and an extract made therefrom.

The following is the conclusion:

Closing my annual report, and looking back over the field of masonic labor, I note with interest the steady advance of masonry in all jurisdictions. The general prosperity obtaining in all of our sister grand lodges is most gratifying. In our own jurisdiction prospects have never been better or more encouraging along moral lines as well as material prosperity. With a hearty appreciation of the kindness shown to me by members of the guild, as well as my brethren of Missouri, I close my twenty-seventh annual report with kind and fraternal greetings to all.

M.: W.: L. B. Valliant, Grand Master; R.: W.: J. R. Parson appointed Grand Secretary to fill vacancy; both of St. Louis.

MONTANA, 1903.

The thirty-ninth annual communication was held at Helena, Sept. 16th and 17th, M.: W.: F. E. Smith, Grand Master. Forty-six lodges represented; forty-nine on the roll. Ten past grand masters present, our representative included.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership three thousand, seven hundred, and forty-two; gain one hundred and eighty-nine. Receipts \$7,388.

The death of Bro. C. H. Gould, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master, President Roosevelt, and Bro. H. L. Hosmer, past grand secretary; with a cut of the entrance arch at Yellowstone Park.

Two charters were granted; the salary of the grand lecturer was fixed at \$1,000; a committee was appointed on masonic home; the signet ring was duly transferred, and a testimonial voted to the retiring grand master.

The grand secretary finished the customary report on fraternal correspondence, notwithstanding his severe illness during the greater portion of the year. He gives Minnesota the following complimentary paragraphs:

The printed proceedings of this grand lodge for 1903 presents such a profusion of riches that we cannot do it justice in the space at

our command. It records the fiftieth annual communication, held at St. Paul, Feb. 24-5th, when the Golden Jubilee was celebrated in Ample Form. Bro. A. D. Countryman was grand master on this "glorious occasion," and as the representative of Montana he might be called a Countryman of ours as well as of Minnesota. The printed volume is profusely illustrated, containing no less than two pictures of the grand master, and on a double page the pictures of twenty-two new grand officers, the centre pieces of which are Grand Master Adams and Bro. Grand Secretary Montgomery, a fine looking lot of craftsmen with distinct individuality. More than a third of the volume is occupied with the historical address of Bro. G. R. Metcalf, which is fully illustrated with pictures of each of the founders of the grand lodge in 1853, only one of whom is still living, Bro. D. C. W. Dunwell, of Lewiston, Ida. There is a good picture of each of the twenty-two past grand masters, with an interesting sketch of their lives and services. There is even a flash light picture of the whole grand body assembled at the special celebration on the evening of Feb. 24th.

In a third appendix are the proceedings of the Veteran Association at its eleventh reunion, with a picture of Bro. B. F. Farmer, its second president. The only serious omission in this pictured throng is that of Bro. Metcalf himself, the chairman of the jubilee committee, to whom the chief credit belongs for its success and the record that it has left behind.

Bro. Montgomery is certainly a model grand secretary, and of his labors there is no end. Everything is systematized so that he can turn to any desirable information in an instant. He has a masonic picture gallery containing twenty-six hundred pictures of distinguished craftsmen, and a valuable library. If given space and means he would soon have a collection second only to Bro. Parvin's.

Bro. H. R. Adams, of Minneapolis, was elected grand master, and he evidently appreciated the honor and the fact that his father was present and the first to congratulate him.

Bro. Irving Todd continues his labors as grand correspondent. He is an expert at condensation. His own opinions are kept in the background. He wants his readers to judge for themselves. Our Montana proceedings were too late to secure his notice.

Minnesota published a large edition of their Golden Jubilee number, and we presume copies can be had for moderate cost. They would prove mighty interesting reading to every live craftsman and of permanent value. Our copies are at disposal for reading to as many as can spare the time to peruse them.

M. W. H. S. Hepner, Grand Master; R. W. Cornelius Hedges reelected Grand Secretary; both of Helena.

NEBRASKA, 1904.

The forty-seventh annual communication was held at Omaha, June 8th, 9th, and 10th, M.: W.: F. E. Bullard, Grand Master. Two hundred and sixteen lodges represented; two hundred and thirty-three on the roll. Twenty-three past grand masters and our representative present.

Three dispensations for new lodges; two charters arrested and one surrendered. Membership fourteen thousand, one hundred, and ninety; gain five hundred and eighty-one. Receipts \$16,508.89.

The death of Bro. R. H. Oakley, past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

Fifteen decisions were reported, of no particular importance; the report of the home shows fifteen inmates, cost of building and grounds \$5,300, maintenance \$3,008.50; fraternal greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Iowa by wire; a medal worn by Bro. Isaac Gibson as the oldest mason in the jurisdiction was returned by a son at his death; the committee on monitor was again granted further time; three charters were granted to lodges under dispensation; the masonic home was dedicated in ample form the second afternoon; a flowery address was delivered by Bro. W. S. Summers, grand orator; the amended code was considered and adopted; the special committee on work recommended a continuance of the present ritual; a fragment of a bed cord which came over in the Mayflower was presented by a New York brother; and the request of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico for recognition was postponed until next year.

Bro. C. J. Phelps was the writer of the report on foreign correspondence, a paper of more than the usual merit. Of Minnesota he says:

A cordial and fraternal greeting to his brethren marks the grand master's opening in his address. Proceeding, he pays an eloquent tribute to masonry, extolling its lessons, precepts, and teaching.

R. W. Thomas Montgomery, whom we had the pleasure of meeting at Denver in 1892, the memory of which meeting we have cherished, is grand secretary, and we are glad to find that he is recovering from his recent serious illness. His report, in opening, breathes the love of a true craftsman; he details the more important transactions of the year in concise and pleasing form.

A very excellently prepared report of the masonic home committee was duly submitted. In it the facts as they exist in many homes are set forth and commented upon. But, alas, the whole matter was indefinitely postponed. We are glad to note, however, that Bro. A. G. Pinkham stood up for and urged the establishment of a home. If we mistake not he was formerly in Nebraska and grand patron of the O. E. S. and rector of a church at Grand Island, Neb.

W. Bro. J. C. Bennett, grand orator, in expressing his modesty wins our attention. * * * He eloquently discloses a mind stored with thought of a high order.

Bro. Irving Todd presents the report on correspondence, covering one hundred pages, and reviewing the proceedings of fifty-seven grand lodges. Nebraska, 1903, receives courteous consideration.

M. W. C. E. Burnham, Norfolk, Grand Master; R. W. F. E. White, Omaha, reëlected Grand Secretary, and continued as chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

NEVADA, 1904.

The fortieth annual communication was held at Virginia City, June 14th and 15th, R. W. George Gillson, acting Grand Master. Nineteen lodges represented; twenty-one on the roll. Eight past grand masters and our representative present.

Membership nine hundred and eighty-five; gain forty-one. Receipts \$1,423.47.

The portrait is that of the grand master, who was not in attendance owing to serious illness.

The decisions reported are purely of local interest.

An entertainment and banquet was provided by the local chapter O. E. S.; a telegram of sympathy was forwarded to the absent grand master; the committee on correspondence

was granted further time to consider the request of the Grand Orient Argentino del Rito Azul for recognition; that of the Grand Orient of Brazil was laid over a year; and the constitutional amendment providing for the consolidation of lodges was adopted.

Bro. E. D. Vanderlieth submitted his third report on foreign correspondence, taking advantage of the latitude extended him last year. Of Minnesota he fraternally says:

Our good sister got so dressed up last year over her jubilee that she hasn't got over it. The volume is not so large, but it is as neat and trim as ever, and a superb portrait of Grand Master H. R. Adams adorns the fly leaf.

The oration by Bro. J. C. Bennett is an extremely beautiful one. Sentence upon sentence sparkle with gems, dear to every true masonic heart.

Bro. Irving Todd, of course, presents the report. It is compact, written smoothly and with a finish and style all his own, therefore able and interesting. * * * Nevada fares graciously at our brother's hands. Everything is noted and words of praise kindly given. * * * Finally Bro. Todd notes that the grand master, grand secretary, and chairman of correspondence are all of Carson City. It doesn't happen often. Perhaps never again. Some may add, "so mote it be."

M.: W.: George Gillson, Grand Master; V.: W.: C. N. Noteware reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. E. D. Vanderlieth, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence; all again of Carson City.

NEW BRUNSWICK, 1903.

The thirty-sixth annual communication was held at St. John, Aug. 25th and 26th, M.: W.: A. I. Trueman, Grand Master. Twenty-three lodges represented; thirty-five on the roll. Two past grand masters present, our representative included.

Membership two thousand and sixty-seven; gain seventy-three. Receipts \$2,112.35.

The portraits are of two past grand masters.

A warrant bearing date 1792 was placed in the custody of Zion Lodge, to whom it was originally issued.

M.^r. W.^r. A. I. Trueman was re-elected Grand Master, and V.^r. W.^r. J. T. Hartt re-appointed Grand Secretary; both of St. John.

NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1904.

The one hundred and fifteenth annual communication was held at Concord, May 18th, M.^r. W.^r. H. M. Cheney, Grand Master. Fifty-five lodges represented; seventy-nine on the roll. Twelve past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership nine thousand, five hundred, and seventy-two; loss twelve. Receipts \$7,817.55.

The deaths of Bro. C. C. Danforth, grand marshal since 1894, and Bro. John Hatch, junior grand warden, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and three deceased past grand officers.

After an experience of two years the grand master advised a modification of their position on perpetual jurisdiction, but the committee on jurisprudence made no sign; the grand secretary was authorized to expend \$100 annually in the purchase of books for the library; dinner was served to those in attendance; a dispensation was granted for a new lodge; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. A. S. Wait reviews Minnesota for two years in his usual fraternal manner, of which the following extracts are a sample:

An oration was delivered before the grand body by W.^r. Bro. W. C. Masterman, which is published with the proceedings, and the record says was well received.

During the communication the grand lodge celebrated its semi-centennial, the exercises of which are published with the proceedings of the year, and they will be read by the craft with very great interest, but our space does not admit of an account of them here.

The report on foreign correspondence, as for some years past, is furnished by Bro. Irving Todd, who reviews the proceedings of fifty-four sister grand lodges, including New Hampshire for 1902. It is a very complete summary of the proceedings and a most interesting account of the progress of the masonic year, everything being given of any substantial interest to the fraternity in general. Our proceedings are summarized with the same fraternal spirit and excellent judgment as the others.

An able and interesting oration was delivered before the grand body by the grand orator, W. Bro. J. C. Bennett; which is published with the proceedings.

Bro. Wait insists that the withdrawal of fraternal intercourse by one grand lodge from another should not deprive individual masons from the right of visitation when not parties to the act or approving the same, a position not sustained by general usage. Suspension of intercourse means precisely what it says, otherwise no suspension at all.

In New Hampshire, he tells us, a waiver of jurisdiction requires an unanimous secret ballot. With us unanimous consent is required when the applicant is a resident of another grand jurisdiction, and that of the grand master or the grand lodge must also be obtained.

M. W. H. I. Haselton, Manchester, Grand Master; R. W. F. D. Woodbury, Concord, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. A. S. Wait, Newport, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

NEW JERSEY, 1904.

The one hundred and seventeenth annual communication was held at Trenton, Mar. 9th and 10th, M. W. W. H. Apgar, Grand Master. One hundred and sixty-four lodges represented; one hundred and seventy-three on the roll. Seven past grand masters and our representative present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership twenty-two thousand, one hundred, and two, gain seventeen hundred and fifty-one. Receipts \$22,852.79.

The death of Bro. Charles Belcher, past grand master and chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

A number of distinguished visitors from New York were present; the grand master reported the examination of seventy-six candidates as to their physical qualifications, of which twenty-five were rejected, and that he had made several masons at sight as an object lesson; a petition for a new lodge was received and referred to the proper committee; the opinion of the grand master that fraternal relations could not be resumed with the Grand Lodge of Washington until the latter more clearly defined its position was approved; the report of the home shows fifty-nine inmates, maintenance \$16,013.72; the per capital tax of \$2 for the orphanage realized over \$42,000, the building was reported as nearing completion, and that it would accommodate forty children; an amendment to the constitution providing for a deputy grand treasurer was proposed; a display of oratorical fireworks was furnished by several of the New York brethren; the committee on history announced that owing to the illness of the chairman very little progress had been made; two warrants were granted; a vote of sympathy was extended to the grand treasurer and a past grand master, who were absent by reason of sickness; the grand secretary was authorized to procure two hundred and fifty new lambskin aprons for the use of the grand lodge; and a jewel was voted to the retiring grand master.

The report on foreign correspondence was completed by Bro. Charles Belcher before his untimely death, and among his last words we find the following:

The practical address closes with acknowledgment of generous assistance of his associates, and particularly the efficient grand secretary.

Bro. W. C. Masterman, grand orator, delivered a carefully prepared oration occupying six pages of the proceedings, and treating upon the growth and development of masonry.

Ninety-three pages are devoted to the Golden Jubilee exercises, with gravures of the twenty-three honored brethren who have presided as grand master, biographical sketches and addresses by Bros. G. R. Metcalf and G. H. Davis.

The report on correspondence is by Bro. Irving Todd, who reviews in his usual interesting and concise way the proceedings of

fifty-four jurisdictions. New Jersey for 1902 receives two pages of space.

Following the correspondence report we find the proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota, at the eleventh annual reunion. The association numbers four hundred and fifty members, and includes the names of many prominent and distinguished brethren.

The very readable review closes with the following:

We again extend to all, particularly those of our own brethren and kin who burn the midnight oil, the compliments of the season, in the sincere hope that we may meet again.

A foot note by the grand secretary says:

It is our sad duty to announce that after the above had been furnished and printed our beloved and M. W. Bro. Charles Belcher was laid to rest. He died Feb. 20th, 1904.

Minnesota joins New Jersey in paying tribute to the memory of one of their most distinguished craftsmen. Alas, my brother.

M.: W.: J. H. Wilkins, Newark, Grand Master; R.: W.: T. H. R. Redway, Trenton, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. H. Apgar, Trenton, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

NEW MEXICO, 1903.

The twenty-sixth annual communication was held at Albuquerque, Oct. 19th and 20th, M.: W.: E. A. Cahoon, Grand Master. Sixteen lodges represented; twenty on the roll. Five past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One charter surrendered. Membership twelve hundred and thirty-one; gain ninety-eight. Receipts \$1,895.50.

A charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation.

The report on foreign correspondence was submitted by Bro. W. H. Seamon as usual. Of Minnesota he says:

The Golden Jubilee volume is profusely illustrated with the faces of present and past grand officers. Many of the illustrations are works of art.

The address of Grand Master Countryman was able.

The Golden Jubilee of the grand lodge was appropriately celebrated. Many interesting and valuable addresses were made, sketches of many of the founders of the grand lodge are given in the proceedings. Ninety-three pages of the proceedings are devoted to these interesting matters.

Bro. Todd furnished one of his excellent reviews of foreign correspondence. It is shorter than usual. New Mexico for 1901 receives consideration.

Bro. Seamon is of the opinion that another year will settle the Mexican question, with one large grand lodge for the entire republic. *Quien sabe?*

M. W. J. C. Slack, Clayton, Grand Master; R. W. A. A. Keen, Albuquerque, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. H. Seamon, El Paso, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

NEW YORK, 1904.

The one hundred and twenty-third annual communication was held at New York, May 3d, 4th, and 5th, R. W. F. H. Robinson, acting Grand Master. Number of lodges represented not stated; seven hundred and sixty-three on the roll. Twelve past grand masters and our representative present.

Four dispensations for new lodges. Membership one hundred and twenty-six thousand, one hundred, and seventy-seven; gain seven thousand, nine hundred, and ninety-two. Receipts \$103,080.34.

The deaths of Bro. C. W. Cushman, honorary past grand master, and Bro. G. M. Berry, grand pursuivant, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and grand treasurer.

The grand master was not in attendance, by order of his physician; a large number of grand and past grand

officers were present from New Jersey; the reports of the home show three hundred and one inmates, maintenance \$69,804.34; the report of the grand historian is continued to lodge number seventy-nine, with much valuable data and cuts of old halls and lodge rooms; a large number of accessions was reported by the grand librarian; the grand officers were elected by acclamation, the grand treasurer declining; the application of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico for recognition was granted, those of the Grand Lodge of Cosmos and the Grand Orient D'Haiti declined, and that of the Grand Orient of Brazil deferred; charters were granted to the four lodges under dispensations; an unworthy brother was expelled for assisting in the making of clandestine masons; and several constitutional amendments of minor importance were recommended for adoption.

Bro. J. B. Anthony submitted his sixteenth report on foreign correspondence, with translations by Bro. Emil Frankel. It is a valuable and comprehensive paper. The following extracts pertain to Minnesota:

This is termed the Golden Jubilee volume, and the account of the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the organization of this grand lodge is interestingly presented by W.'. G. R. Metcalf. The account occupies ninety-three pages of the proceedings, prefaced by a good flash light photograph of the entire grand lodge assembled for the celebration, and illustrated with biographical sketches and photogravures of all the past grand masters, twenty-three in number. We can appreciate the immense labor incident to the preparation of this historical paper by W.'. Bro. Metcalf, and its value to the craft of to-day, as well as of the future, cannot be measured.

The grand master delivered a good business address.

An excellent oration was delivered by W.'. W. C. Masterman, grand orator.

The remarks of the grand master elect in acceptance of the honor conferred upon him were touching in their filial references, and eloquent in their masonic application.

The report on correspondence is a good review of the proceedings of fifty-four grand lodges, by W.'. Irving Todd. New York for 1902 is included. Noting the enquiry of our brother we would say that the selection of a junior grand warden is determined by ballot. No nominations are allowed, as it is generally known that the brethren favor certain candidates.

The proceedings state that the junior grand warden was elected by acclamation. The ballot, if one was taken, must therefore have been purely informal and not made a matter of record.

Bro. Anthony believes that freemasonry ought not to be limited to those bodies that can trace their origin to the British Isles; that any lodge labor on Sunday should be confined to funeral ceremonies; that the reception of a petition for the degrees is a matter of lodge control, and subject to objection; that it is an opportune time for grand lodges holding to the doctrine of perpetual jurisdiction to relax somewhat their claim; that there should be a distinction between one who has earned the title by virtue of actual service as grand master and one upon whom it has been conferred as a special mark of honor; and that the lodge should deal with a candidate for the wilful concealment of a previous rejection; in all of which we concur.

M.: W.: F. H. Robinson, Hornellsville, Grand Master; M.: W.: E. M. L. Ehlers, New York, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. B. Anthony, Utica, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

NEW ZEALAND, 1903.

The annual communication was held at Auckland, May 5th and 6th, M.: W.: H. J. Williams, Grand Master.

Seven new lodges chartered. Membership six thousand, one hundred, and ninety-nine. Receipts £1,251.

M.: W.: H. J. Williams, Grand Master, was reelected. R.: W.: Malcolm Niccol, Grand Secretary.

1904.

The annual communication was held at Dunedin, May 4th and 5th, M.: W.: H. J. Williams, Grand Master. Ninety-one lodges represented; one hundred and twenty-eight on the roll. Two past grand masters present.

Four new lodges constituted during the year. Membership six thousand, six hundred, and thirty-one; gain four hundred and thirty-two. Receipts £1,837 9s 5d.

The death of Bro. Henry Thomson, their first grand master, was announced.

The Grand Lodge of Costa Rica was recognized; a handsome sword was presented to the grand lodge by a brother; the retiring grand master was invested with a full dress suit of regalia and jewel; a bonus of £50 was voted to the grand secretary, and his yearly salary raised to £450; a number of amendments to the rules was adopted; and a conversazione was held the last evening.

M.: W.: A. H. Burton, Grand Master; M.: W.: Malcolm Niccol, Grand Secretary; both of Dunedin.

NORTH CAROLINA, 1904.

The one hundred and seventeenth annual communication was held at Raleigh, Jan. 12th, 13th, and 14th, M.: W.: H. I. Clark, Grand Master. Two hundred and six lodges represented; three hundred and thirty-one on the roll. Eight past grand masters and our representative present.

Nine dispensations for new lodges; three charters revived and one surrendered. Membership thirteen thousand, six hundred, and sixty-three; gain one thousand and one. Receipts \$8,827.35.

The death of Bro. T. J. Reed, senior grand deacon, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master and the deceased grand officer. There are also cuts of an apron and masonic diploma used by one of their brethren in 1793.

The following are found among the approved decisions:

1. Can application for degrees be received by a lodge from a party who is so deaf that he has to use an ear trumpet? No.
7. Can a petition be received from a party who is under age, but

will become of age before the petition is acted upon? No. Let him wait with patience till he is of "lawful age and properly vouched for."

8. Can charges be preferred against a brother for retailing whisky? No. The simple fact of a mason selling whisky is no masonic crime, and so long as he does not fracture the civil or masonic law he is guilty of no offense. It is to be observed, though, that masonry discountenances the whisky traffic, and stands boldly for sobriety and temperance.

9. Can the degrees be conferred upon more than one candidate at the same time? But one candidate can be received and obligated at a time. The explanatory lectures can be given to any number of candidates.

No. 1 was modified so that total deafness is a disqualification.

The following pleasing incident is reported in the address:

In the early part of October last, in company with Senior Grand Warden Winston and other invited guests, I visited this lodge (Johnston-Caswell No. 10) and conferred the master's degree upon Bro. M. W. Ransom. Many years ago Bro. Ransom was advanced to the degree of fellow craft, but before he could complete his masonic journey the civil war came on, and after that this lodge became dormant. Although he had passed life's allotted span, yet vigorous in intellect, he voluntarily asked that he be raised to the sublime degree of a master mason. To help the brethren accommodate the visitor, and to make the occasion as pleasant as possible to the venerable candidate, I granted permission to use the academy for the lodge room. In this academy Bro. Ransom, as a barefooted boy, nearly seventy years ago, attended school with two of the brethren who were in the lodge room when he was raised. The whole scene was an inspiration. To see this grand gray head bent in humble supplication at the altar, a voluntary seeker for that light which masons only see, presented a picture that but few will see again. I know full well that masonry seeks no man for wealth or honors, yet I consider this occasion equally an honor to masonry and to the man. His life had been crowned with the highest civil and military honors his state could confer, all of which he has borne honorably alike to himself and his state, and now, when the sunset of life is casting its lengthening shadows behind him, he leaves a comfortable home and loving family, and journeys a day's visit to offer himself a sacrifice, as it were, upon the altar of his early love. I consider it a great occasion, and worthy to be perpetuated in our transactions.

The reports of the Oxford Orphan Asylum show two hundred and fifty-four inmates, maintenance \$33,628.86; an eloquent address was delivered by Bro. J. S. Cunningham, grand orator; the grand master was called home by sickness in his family; a committee was appointed to consider the advisability of establishing a home for aged and indigent brethren; seven charters were granted and two dispensations continued; an amendment to the by-laws providing for a finance committee was adopted; the Grand Lodge of Western Australia was recognized and action upon the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica postponed a year; a prohibition resolution was very sensibly laid upon the table; the thanks of the grand lodge were tendered to the superintendent of the orphan asylum for the donation of \$3,900 of his salary in the past four years; the directors were authorized to sell their Minneapolis property for \$6,000; the committee on digest was reduced to one and given further time; the per capita tax was increased from fifty cents to seventy-five; the committee on masonic temple reported additional subscriptions amounting to \$9,800, and the passage of an act exempting the property from taxation; a subscription of \$639 for the temple was taken on the floor; a resolution declaring that no man engaged in the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors shall be eligible to membership was adopted, to become law when approved by a majority of the subordinate lodges; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. J. A. Collins contributed another of his uniformly interesting reports on foreign correspondence, from which we quote as follows:

This communication was probably the most memorable since the organization of the grand lodge **fifty years ago**.

The Chronicle of the Semi-Centennial Observance, edited by Bro G. R. Metcalf, is an intensely interesting story of the vicissitudes through which the grand lodge had to pass before reaching its present prosperous and influential position. It is in this chronicle that the portraits of nearly forty of these eminent craftsmen are found, and a bright and graceful biography of each. By this work Bro. Metcalf has made the fraternity of Minnesota largely his debtor.

In consequence of the Golden Jubilee of grand lodge falling on the date of the annual feast of the Masonic Veteran Association, the proceedings of the eleventh annual reunion were not as elaborate as usual, but the organization is compact and useful.

In the report on foreign correspondence Bro. Irving Todd reviews the transactions of fifty-four grand lodges, among which North Carolina's doings for 1902 are faithfully but briefly recorded. The power of condensation is marked, and yet no important item escapes him. The wonder is that so much information, with room for occasional pungent comment, could be compressed in eighty-four pages.

M.: W.: W. S. Liddell, Charlotte, Grand Master; R.: W.: J. C. Drewry, Raleigh, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. A. Collins, Enfield, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

NORTH DAKOTA, 1904.

The fifteenth annual communication was held at Fargo, June 28th and 29th, M.: W.: J. T. Blacklock, Grand Master. Sixty-one lodges represented; sixty-seven on the roll. Six past grand masters and our representative present.

Five dispensations for new lodges. Membership four thousand, eight hundred, and forty-seven; gain four hundred and forty-nine. Receipts \$5,645.17.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

An apron was voted to the senior grand warden, who had removed from the jurisdiction; charters were granted to the five lodges under dispensation; the lodges were recommended to dispense with the fee for affiliation; the grand lodges Valle de Mexico, Benito Juarez, Ignacio Ramirez, Republic Argentine, and Norway and Sweden were recognized; a number of amendments to the constitution and by laws were recommended for adoption; Bro. W. L. Stockwell read the address of President Roosevelt at the Philadelphia celebration, not having time to prepare an oration; and an appropriation of \$100 was made for an iron fence in front of the temple.

There was no report on foreign correspondence, owing to the illness of Bro. R. M. Carothers, committee.

M.: W.: J. W. Foley, Bismarck, Grand Master; R.: W.: F. J. Thompson, Fargo, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. R. M. Carothers, Grand Forks, fraternal correspondent.

OHIO, 1904.

The ninety-fifth annual communication was held at Toledo, Oct. 19th and 20th, M.: W.: O. P. Sperra, Grand Master. Four hundred and eighty-nine lodges represented; five hundred on the roll. Fifteen past grand masters and our representative present.

Four dispensations for new lodges. Membership fifty-eight thousand, two hundred, and forty-three; gain three thousand, one hundred, and seventy-eight. Receipts \$46,115.55.

The deaths of Bro. S. S. Williams, past grand master, and Bro. A. S. Bushnell, ex governor, were announced. The former was well known as a masonic student and collector.

The portraits are of the grand master and Bro. Williams.

Three charters were granted and one dispensation continued; a special committee on ritual and floor work was appointed, to report next year; a jewel was voted to the retiring grand master; a committee was appointed to procure new jewels and aprons for the grand lodge officers; the grand lodges of Costa Rica, Tasmania, Western Australia, Valle de Mexico, and the Grand Orient of Brazil were recognized, and action upon several others deferred; documentary evidence of good standing was recommended as a requisite for visitation; a list of spurious lodges in the various jurisdictions was prepared by the committee on foreign correspondence, very convenient for reference; in addition to the \$40 per month for duplicating the returns, the grand secretary was again allowed \$50 per month for clerk hire; a vote of thanks was tendered to the local brethren for their hospitality and entertainment furnished; the report of the home showed one hundred and forty-seven

inmates, maintenance \$27,187.88, betterments \$4,715.12; and a very brief report was given of the annual meeting of the Masonic Veterans' Association.

A very able and somewhat lengthy report on foreign correspondence was again prepared by Bro. W. M. Cunningham, prefaced by papers upon the higher degrees, symbolism, and the grand honors, with another interesting letter from Bro. W. J. Hughan, of England. He says of Minnesota:

The annual address of the grand master is a thoughtful paper of seventeen pages.

An eloquent address was delivered by the grand orator, W. Bro. J. C. Bennett.

R. W. Bro. Irving Todd, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence, submitted an admirable digest of the transactions of fifty-seven grand lodges, in a paper of one hundred and one pages. * * * Fraternal mention is made of Ohio for 1903, with a courteous abstract of its proceedings.

The customary mention of the grand chaplain does not occur either in opening or closing.

M. W. C. G. Ballou, Toledo, Grand Master; R. W. J. H. Bromwell, Cincinnati, reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. W. M. Cunningham, Newark, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

OKLAHOMA, 1904.

The twelfth annual communication was held at Guthrie, Feb. 9th and 10th, M. W. S. P. Larsh, Grand Master. Ninety-eight lodges represented; one hundred and ten on the roll. Four past grand masters present, including our representative.

Twenty dispensations for new lodges. Membership five thousand, two hundred, and nineteen; gain ten hundred and seventy-one. Receipts \$6,092.10.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

Thirteen local decisions were reported, not worth the space they occupy in the proceedings; regrets were extended to two past grand masters unable to be in attendance; the grand secretary reported progress on the card register; no action was taken on the request of the grand bodies of Brazil for recognition; the grand secretary was authorized to expend \$100 in the purchase of masonic literature; twenty-two charters were granted to lodges under dispensation; the masonic home fund was reported at \$6,042.75; the pay of the deputy lecturer was fixed at \$3 per day and actual expenses, \$2 of which to be paid by the grand lodge, the balance by the lodge receiving the services; the subordinate lodges were directed to procure the regulation costume for the use of candidates; and a number of constitutional amendments were adopted, one of them making the use of ciphers a masonic offense.

The assistant grand secretary, Bro. F. C. Hunt, prepared the report on foreign correspondence in his inimitable style, and was ordered to do it again next year. Minnesota is touched up as follows:

Grand Secretary Montgomery reported that the past year had been the most prosperous by far in the history of his grand lodge, and that during the year he had gathered together, assorted by states and rank, trimmed to uniform size, classified and prepared for mounting, twenty-six hundred portraits of distinguished masons in the United States. Now, if the grand secretary will publish his portraits in a pictorial volume for sale to the craft at a moderate price, there may be some money in it for his grand lodge.

One hundred pages of the volume are devoted to the proceedings of the Golden Jubilee of the grand lodge, and the volume is rich with illustrations of scenes connected with the event and with portraits of the founders of the grand lodge. The proceedings make highly interesting reading, and cause us ten year olds to feel very fresh behind the ears. Our sister jurisdiction is entitled to, and will doubtless receive, the hearty congratulations of her sister grand lodges upon reaching the half century mark in her history.

Owing to the space taken by the report of the jubilee proceedings the review of foreign jurisdictions by the committee on correspondence is limited to eighty pages. The report is by Bro. Irving Todd for the committee, and has the sterling merit which attaches to his report of the previous year. Oklahoma for 1902 is fairly reviewed.

He does not agree to the decision of Grand Master Day that where the nearest lodge to a proposed lodge under dispensation refuses to give its consent to the establishment of the proposed new lodge consent may be obtained from the next nearest lodge. We are obliged to admit that we do not know upon what ground or law the decision could have been based.

Bro. Montgomery's collection of portraits was obtained from the proceedings of other grand bodies, and therefore could not be published in the form suggested without the mutilation of many valuable pamphlets.

M.: W.: J. F. Mathews, Mangum, Grand Master; R.: W.: J. S. Hunt, Stillwater, reelected Grand Secretary, and continued as chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

OREGON, 1904.

The fifty-fourth annual communication was held at Portland, June 15th, 16th, and 17th; M.: W.: S. M. Yoran, Grand Master. Ninety-two lodges represented, one hundred and two on the roll. Eighteen past grand masters and our representative present.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership six thousand, nine hundred, and fifty-three; gain five hundred and forty-eight. Receipts \$8,614.80.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The grand master frankly admitted that he could not consistently give to his rulings the dignity of calling them decisions; a committee of three past grand masters was again appointed to visit their aged past grand treasurer and renew the sympathy heretofore extended him; parental greetings were forwarded to the Grand Lodge of Washington, and fraternal greetings exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin; a brief address was delivered by Bro. W. A. Cleland, grand orator; sincere thanks were voted to Bro. Jacob Mayer for his valuable services as a trustee of the educational fund for the past fifteen years; one surrendered charter was restored and three charters and one

dispensation granted; an amendment to the constitution was adopted requiring the notification of lodges having concurrent jurisdiction of any application for the degrees; aprons and jewels were ordered for grand officers not already provided with them; an appropriation of \$1,000 was made for masonic purposes incident to the Lewis and Clark exposition; the bill of the grand tyler was cut down to \$3 per day; and the past grand masters had their annual meeting and dinner.

Bro. J. M. Hodson gives three pages of his valuable report on foreign correspondence to Minnesota, from which the following paragraphs are taken:

M. W. Bro. Adams seems rather of poetical turn of mind, which crops out occasionally through a very practical address.

Upon the evening of the first day Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, with its complete outfit of officers and paraphernalia, magic lanterns, etc., appeared before the grand lodge and exemplified the master's degree, and it is related that the Masonic Veteran Association held their meetings during the same hour that the stereopticon show was on. We do not wonder that these gray headed old masons desired to be elsewhere than at a moving picture show. We have no sympathy with any such innovation. If we wish to go to theatre, vaudeville, or otherwise, that is another matter, but to permit a city lodge, just because it may be wealthy and have the facilities for doing so, to change the making of a mason in the ancient form into an exhibition of scenes and pictures is the "abomination of desolation," standing in a place where it ought not. The common country lodge cannot have the same facilities, and we do not believe in two or three ways of doing things.

Bro. J. C. Bennett, grand orator, delivered a learned ten page production, evincing a broad conception of the nature and mission of masonry, and, drawing his comparisons from the rich and varied past, predicts a still wider field of usefulness in the great future.

Bro. Irving Todd wields the instructive pen to the extent of one hundred well filled pages of correspondence. Oregon for 1903 has courteous treatment. * * * He writes no conclusion, just quits after Wyoming, which is a pretty good way after all.

Bro. Hodson does not believe in past grand master's jewels, but would have their cost added to the charity fund, and is of the opinion that promotions should not come from the line unless it is a good one to draw from.

M.: W.: Thomas Gray, Portland, Grand Master; R.: W.: J. F. Robinson, Eugene, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. M. Hodson, Portland, committee on foreign correspondence.

PENNSYLVANIA, 1903.

At the March quarterly the salary of the librarian was increased \$300; a petition for a new lodge was received and referred to the grand officers; and a committee consisting of the district deputy grand masters was appointed to consider the subject of establishing masonic homes in the central and western portions of the jurisdiction.

A special communication was held April 27th for the purpose of attending the funeral of Bro. Michael Arnold, past grand master and chairman of the committee on correspondence since 1895.

At the June quarterly the committee on homes reported favorably, and was continued; three petitions for new lodges were received and referred; and the bequest of William McClary, \$50,000, for charity was reported as duly collected, with \$750 accrued interest. He was not a mason, but a deceased son was quite active in the fraternity.

A special communication was held July 17th for the purpose of attending the funeral of Bro. S. C. Perkins, their senior grand master.

At the September quarterly it was resolved to build a home in the central part of the state, the grand lodge to guarantee principal and interest on a loan of \$300,000, besides donating half of the annual fees and dues; Bro. J. M. Lamberton was appointed chairman of the committee on correspondence to fill vacancy; and the death of Bro. J. S. J. McConnell, a grand chaplain for many years, was announced.

At the December quarterly grand officers were elected; the grand charity fund was reported at \$78,885.80, the Girard bequest at \$64,248.68, and the Patton fund at \$101,-

929.58; the committee on temple reported the cost of improvements during the year at \$66,416.09; the committee on library reported additions of over one thousand bound volumes and the completion of the seventh and eighth of their reprint, bringing the record down to 1854; a petition for a new lodge was received and referred; and a description of the memorial volume specially bound for President Roosevelt was printed in the proceedings, together with a copy of his letter of acknowledgment.

The annual communication was held at Philadelphia, Dec. 28th, M. W. E. A. Tennis, Grand Master. One hundred and eight lodges represented; four hundred and forty on the roll. Four past grand masters present.

Seven new lodges constituted. Membership sixty-three thousand and ninety-seven; gain three thousand, two hundred, and seventy-one. Receipts \$193,032.93.

The portraits are of the grand master and a past grand master.

The grand master stated that the colored people had applied to the courts for a charter for a grand lodge, which he successfully opposed.

There were twenty-eight decisions reported, the only one of general interest being that no masonic burial service can be performed at a cremation. Among the numerous edicts were that a past master's jewel must be of silver, that the letter G is not a proper lodge decoration and must not appear on notices, and that lodge officers where possible should wear evening dress, and the master a modern silk hat. The grand master evidently never visited the Lodge Over Simpkin's Store.

The grand officers were installed; distinguished visitors from New Jersey were received with honors; and a jewel was presented to the retiring grand master.

Bro. J. M. Lamberton presented his accustomed report on correspondence, a carefully prepared paper. Minnesota is favorably noticed with the following:

The address of the grand master is excellent and shows faithful effort, crowned with success, to fulfill the duties of his high station.

Bro. W. C. Masterman, grand orator, delivered the oration, which was well received and printed in full.

The evening of the first day was given up to a public celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the grand lodge, which was most successful, Bro. G. R. Metcalf and M. W. Bro. G. H. Davis, "the silver tongued orator of the grand lodge," delivering the principal addresses after Grand Master Countryman had welcomed those who crowded the spacious hall. The address of Bro. Metcalf, whose care and forethought made the celebration the great success it was, was a complete account of the organization of the grand lodge (a mere epitome being read at the celebration), supplemented with sketches of all the grand masters, whose portraits are given, together with a flash light picture taken at the celebration. A very interesting picture is that showing all the elected and appointed officers of the grand lodge.

The report on foreign correspondence is, as usual, by Bro. Irving Todd, the chairman, who writes a full summary of what the proceedings disclose, the scissors being used almost exclusively to give what is said about Minnesota in the various reviews.

M. W. J. W. Brown, Grand Master; R. W. W. A. Sinn reelected Grand Secretary; Bro. J. M. Lamberton, chairman of the committee on correspondence; all of Philadelphia.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, 1904.

The twenty-ninth annual communication was held at Charlottetown, June 24th, M. W. Benjamin Rogers, Grand Master. The thirteen lodges all represented. Eight past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership six hundred and four; loss three. Receipts \$344.10.

A charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation.

M. W. Benjamin Rogers, Charlottetown, Grand Master, and R. W. Neil MacKelvie, Summerside, Grand Secretary, were reelected.

QUEBEC, 1904.

The thirty-fourth annual communication was held at Montreal, Jan. 27th, M. W. J. B. Tresidder, Grand

Master. Fifty-three lodges represented; fifty-seven on the roll. Six past grand masters and our representative present.

Membership four thousand, four hundred, and thirty-three; gain two hundred and forty-two. Receipts, \$5,482.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

A plain, practical address was delivered by Bro. W. P. R. Lewis, district grand chaplain; the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica and the Grand Lodge of Western Australia were recognized, and the applications from Hayti, Lusitano, and Brazil held over for further inquiry; a constitutional amendment was adopted giving the district grand chaplains a vote while holding office as such; and an appropriation of \$350 was made towards a monument for Bro. J. H. Graham, their first grand master.

Bro. E. T. D. Chambers submitted his usual brief report on foreign correspondence, Minnesota fraternally noticed.

M. W. J. B. Tresidder, Grand Master, and R. W. W. H. Whyte, Grand Secretary, were reëlected; both of Montreal; Bro. E. T. D. Chambers, Quebec, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

RHODE ISLAND, 1904.

The one hundred and fourteenth annual communication was held at Providence, May 16th, M. W. W. H. Walker, Grand Master. Thirty-one lodges represented; thirty-seven on the roll. Six past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Membership six thousand and ninety-six; gain two hundred and thirteen. Receipts \$3,381.33.

The portrait is that of the grand master. There are also cuts of the hall of a subordinate lodge.

The grand master reported the payment of \$700 upon their debt, leaving a balance due of \$1,450; the grand secretary stated that but thirty-six copies of the memorial volume had been sold during the year, notwithstanding the

reduction in price; the Grand Lodge of Western Australia was recognized; a master was suspended for initiating two candidates after objections had been made; it was ordered that no visitor be examined unless he exhibits documentary evidence of his good standing; and a jewel and apron were voted to the retiring grand master.

M.: W.: J. E. Tillinghast, Grand Master; R.: W.: S. P. Williams reëlected Grand Secretary; both of Providence.

SOUTH CAROLINA, 1903.

The one hundred and twenty-seventh annual communication was held at Charleston, Dec. 8th and 9th, M.: W.: W. M. Whitehead, Grand Master. One hundred and seventy five lodges represented; one hundred and eighty-seven on the roll. Four past grand masters and our representative present.

Four dispensations for new lodges. Membership seven thousand, two hundred, and fifty-one; gain three hundred and twenty-five. Receipts \$8,884.50.

The deaths of Bro. A. H. White and Bro. W. T. Branch, past grand masters, were announced.

The portraits are of the grand master, grand secretary, and grand master elect.

The corner stone of an art building was laid the first afternoon; closer fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Washington were declined until more temperate counsels prevail in that jurisdiction; four charters were granted and two dispensations continued; the bonded indebtedness upon the temple was reported entirely liquidated for the first time since it was built; an oil portrait of Bro. R. F. Divver, past grand master, was presented by a local lodge; and thanks were tendered by rising vote for the excursion and oyster roast.

The grand secretary submitted his twenty-seventh annual report on foreign correspondence, and one of his best. Of Minnesota he writes:

As an appendix we have an excellent oration by the grand orator, W. Bro. W. C. Masterman.

Another appendix is the Golden Jubilee of the grand lodge, which is a valuable historic paper. It not only gives the history of the grand lodge, but contains pictures of all the past grand masters with biographical sketches of each of them.

The report on correspondence is submitted by Bro. Irving Todd. South Carolina for 1901 receives fraternal notice.

M. W. J. R. Bellinger, Bamberg, Grand Master; R. W. Charles Inglesby, Charleston, reelected Grand Secretary.

SOUTH DAKOTA, 1904.

The thirtieth annual communication was held at Yankton, June 14th and 15th, M. W. B. P. Dague, Grand Master. Eighty-one lodges represented; ninety-nine on the roll. Nine past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Three dispensations for new lodges. Membership five thousand, seven hundred, and ten; gain two hundred and sixty-six. Receipts \$5,027.94.

The portraits are of the grand master and a deceased deputy grand master. There are also cuts of the grand secretary's new quarters at Sioux Falls.

There was nothing in the nineteen decisions reported of general interest.

Greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin by telegraph; thanks were expressed to the brethren and citizens of Yankton for their hospitality; a resolution of sympathy was extended to a past grand master, at home sick; three charters were granted and one dispensation continued; the use of masonic emblems for advertising purposes was declared unmasonic conduct; and greetings from the grand chapter O. E. S. were spread upon the minutes.

Bro. S. A. Brown handed in another of his readable reports on correspondence, with the following allusions to Minnesota:

Ten past grand masters were present and the representatives of forty-two grand lodges, in both of which lists we still find to our great pleasure the name of our beloved brother, Past Grand Master Wells, our own grand representative.

The address opens beautifully and keeps up its high promise to the end.

Bro. Irving Todd again delights his brethren with a masterly report on correspondence.

Bro. Brown is of the opinion that it is both sound sense and good masonic policy to require the production of receipts for dues from unknown visitors; that the past master's degree is hoary with age and full of good and wholesome instruction, such as masters need; that our Pennsylvania brethren speak a different masonic language from the rest of us; that to the blue lodge of right belongs the power to determine what is and what is not masonic, a right which cannot be relinquished without great injury and detriment to the craft; that the masonic fraternity is not an order; that in his young days all Virginia women were charming; and that the aim of Bro. Upton is to make all who entertain a friendly feeling towards Washington masons to abandon it and either become hostile or indifferent.

M.: W.: I. W. Goodner, Pierre, Grand Master; R.: W.: G. A. Pettigrew, Sioux Falls, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. S. A. Brown, Sioux Falls, committee on correspondence.

TENNESSEE, 1904.

The ninetieth annual communication was held at Nashville, Jan. 27th, 28th, and 29th, M.: W.: E. P. McQueen, Grand Master. Four hundred lodges represented; four hundred and twenty-two on the roll. Eighteen past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership eighteen thousand, five hundred, and fifty-five; gain seven hundred and twenty-four. Receipts \$26,273.29.

The death of Bro. B. F. Price, past grand master, was announced.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

A number of official rulings were reported, of which the following is a sample:

Can a lodge grant a dimit to a worshipful master, to take effect after his successor is installed? No.

The report of the home shows one hundred and twenty-three inmates, maintenance \$10,522.67; the usual entertainment was given by the children; the burial and memorial services were submitted by the committee and adopted; the committee on purchase of more land for the home reported adversely, recommending the selection of a more suitable site; an altar collection of \$186.07 was taken for the endowment fund; a jewel was presented to one of the past grand masters; two charters and five dispensations were granted; one dispensation extended, and one taken up; that the words wards or residents of the home be used instead of inmates; and an appropriation of \$100 was made for cleaning the portraits of the past grand masters, which must have been horribly dirty.

The proceedings of the convocation of past masters and the masonic veteran association are given in the appendices.

The report on foreign correspondence was submitted by Bro. H. A. Chambers, whose strong point seems to be statistics. The following extracts are found under the head of Minnesota:

The address of the grand master is a model. It is plain business from beginning to end, no effort at fine writing, not even in beginning or conclusion, or in his touching tribute to the dead. It is a clear, forceful, excellent document throughout.

The great event of this communication was the Golden Jubilee, being the semi-centennial observance of the founding of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota. The chronicle of the observance, consisting of ninety-three pages, is embraced in the published proceedings. In it are sketches and well printed pictures of the founders and all the twenty-three grand masters, the latter being single, full page pictures. A great deal of valuable historical matter is embraced in the chronicle.

M.: W.: J. L. Sloan, Linden, Grand Master; R.: W.: J. B. Garrett, Nashville, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. H. A. Chambers, Chattanooga, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

TEXAS, 1903.

The sixty-eighth annual communication was held at Waco, Dec. 1st, 2d, and 3d, M.: W.: W. M. Fly, Grand Master. Four hundred and sixty-nine lodges represented; six hundred and seventy-five on the roll. Fifteen past grand masters present.

Nine dispensations for new lodges; two lodges demised. Membership thirty-two thousand, three hundred, and eighty-four; gain eight hundred and sixteen. Receipts \$23,622.50.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and a past grand master.

Forty-nine alleged decisions were reported, at much greater length than their importance demanded.

A proclamation was reproduced in the address announcing that the Grand Lodge of the Federal District of Mexico had organized half a dozen lodges across the line, which were promptly branded as clandestine and masonic intercourse forbidden. As the Grand Lodge of Texas was the first to recognize Mexican masonry under the notorious Treaty of Monterey, this unwarranted invasion of territory is particularly exasperating.

The reports of the home show one hundred and thirty-one inmates, maintenance \$18,877.58, betterments \$29,914.42; the subcommittee reported the sale of the old temple property at Houston for \$100,000; the committee on new temple reported their inability to erect a building within the appropriation, and another committee was appointed; ten charters were granted and one restored; the McLeary ring was transferred; and a jewel presented to the retiring grand master.

An interesting report on fraternal correspondence was prepared by Bro. T. M. Matthews, Minnesota again unnoticed. What's the matter with Texas?

M.: W.: William James, Ft. Worth, Grand Master; R.: W.: John Watson, Waco, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. T. M. Matthews, Athens, chairman of the committee on correspondence.

UTAH, 1904.

The thirty-third annual communication was held at Salt Lake City, Jan. 19th and 20th, M.: W.: Walter Scott, Grand Master. The ten lodges all represented. Nine past grand masters present; our representative absent.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership eleven hundred and fifty-one; gain sixty-eight. Receipts \$2,032.-54.

The death of Bro. W. T. Dalby, past grand master, was announced.

The portraits are of the grand master elect and their deceased past grand master.

Among the recommendations found in the address were that the lodges should observe both St. John's Days; that masons appearing in public should be clothed with actual aprons, and not girded with cotton cloth; and that names of brethren receiving degrees should not be published in the newspapers, all of which are timely and good.

A charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; each grand master was directed to hold a lodge of sorrow during the latter part of his term of office; the grand orator was required to deliver an oration at each subsequent communication of the grand lodge; the Emery ring was turned over to the new incumbent; a jewel presented to the retiring grand master; and the annual banquet served by the local brethren.

The grand secretary was prevented from revising his paper on physical disabilities for publication by an attack of la grippe, but promises to have it ready next year.

This exhaustive article will be looked forward to with interest.

The report on foreign correspondence was by Bro. Chris., as a matter of course; the proceedings would not be complete without it. A few fraternal paragraphs are culled from the write-up of Minnesota, as follows:

The book is a beautiful souvenir, and will be of great value when the grand lodge celebrates its centennial.

The address of the grand master is a magnificent masonic document, and replete with interest.

Bro. G. R. Metcalf, the historian of the grand lodge, introduced his address as follows: * * * Wish we could have heard it. Some of the incidents we remember well, more especially the one under the subhead, A Black Conundrum Wisely Solved. It was first sprung by Grand Secretary Caldwell, of Ohio, in his New Day, New Duty; but our ever to be remembered Bro. A. T. C. Pierson, who was a giant during all his life, "dug the grave and buried the body."

Bro. Irving Todd presented again the report on correspondence, in which Utah for 1902 has kind and fraternal mention.

M.: W.: R. L. Conely, Grand Master; R.: W.: Christopher Diehl reelected Grand Secretary; both of Salt Lake City.

VERMONT, 1904.

The one hundred and eleventh annual communication was held at Burlington, June 15th and 16th, M.: W.: O. W. Daley, Grand Master. Eighty-six lodges represented; one hundred and two on the roll. Ten past grand masters and our representative present.

One dispensation for a new lodge. Membership eleven thousand, two hundred, and eight-eight; gain three hundred and five. Receipts \$8,188.50.

The death of Bro. M. J. Horton, junior grand warden, was announced; his portrait faces the title page.

The address is a gossip narrative of the grand master's doings of the year, and would have been greatly improved by judicious pruning.

A charter was granted to the lodge under dispensation; a lodge of sorrow was held for their deceased brethren; a new digest of decisions was provided for; the finance report shows a payment of only \$3,000 on the temple debt, owing to unexpected expenses; the compensation of the chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence was increased from \$100 to \$150, and that of the assistant grand chaplain from \$5 to \$10; and a resolution was adopted authorizing the incoming grand master to procure a suitable jewel for his predecessor in office.

Bro. M. O. Perkins prepared another of his admirable reports on foreign correspondence, with two pages following the heading of Minnesota. We quote:

The address of the grand master (H. R. Adams) is an able paper, opening with cordial, fraternal greetings to his brethren, and reflecting characteristic zeal and devotion in the discharge of his official duties.

The report on correspondence, submitted as usual by Bro. Irving Todd, is again a masterpiece of condensation, the fullest information as to the doings of forty-nine grand lodges being crowded into an almost inconceivable small space.

M. W. O. W. Daley, White River Junction, Grand Master, and R. W. H. H. Ross, Burlington, Grand Secretary, were reelected; Bro. M. O. Perkins, Windsor, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

VIRGINIA, 1903.

The one hundred and twenty-sixth annual communication was held at Richmond, Dec. 1st, 2d, and 3d, M. W. E. N. Eubank, Grand Master. Five past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Five dispensations for new lodges. Two lodges revived. Membership fifteen thousand and one; gain six hundred and ninety-eight. Receipts \$11,403.25.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

There was nothing of general interest in the twenty-one decisions reported; the date of the annual meetings was changed to the second Tuesday in February; six charters were granted and one dispensation continued; the committee on grand master's address disagreed with his decision that the tyler had a right to vote on all questions, his duties without the door preventing him from hearing the discussion; the report of the home gave forty-seven inmates, maintenance \$7,256.23; the salary of the grand treasurer was raised to \$500; and subordinate lodges were directed to elect officers Dec. 27th instead of June 24th.

The report on foreign correspondence was from the ready pen of Bro. J. W. Eggleston, from which we quote the following:

There is in the volume a beautifully written history of the grand lodge, with portraits of the different grand masters. The description of the pioneer lodges, with nail kegs for seats and barrels for pedestals, is very charming reading. To this writer it is particularly so, for our beloved brother, the late Edward Eggleston, was one of those pioneers, and was made a mason in one of those very pioneer lodges. The subject is no new one to us, and it rouses tender feelings for the stalwart masons who did so much to make one of our greatest states out of a howling wilderness, and that without the rowdyism and bloodshed so common in other new communities. Doubtless masonry did as much to this end as any other influence.

Bro. Irving Todd, chairman foreign correspondence committee, takes the beauty prize. His picture is that of the handsomest man in the volume, and they all seem to be there too. His foreign correspondence report, good of course, is entirely too brief. This is due, not to indolence, but to the history of the fifty years which crowds the space. We cannot complain, however, as Virginia, 1901, gets two and one-half of his eighty-one pages.

A history of Lancaster Union Lodge No. 88 is given in the appendix.

M.: W.: T. N. Davis, Lynchburg, Grand Master, R.: W.: G. W. Carrington, Richmond, reelected Grand Secretary. Bro. J. W. Eggleston, Richmond, chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence.

WASHINGTON, 1904.

The forty-seventh annual communication was held at Seattle, June 14th, 15th, and 16th, M.: W.: C. D. Atkins, Grand Master. One hundred and fourteen lodges represented; one hundred and twenty on the roll. Eleven past grand masters present, including our representative.

Eight dispensations for new lodges. Membership seven thousand, nine hundred, and fifty-seven; gain nine hundred and one. Receipts \$10,449.75.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

The following statement is found in the address:

The endurance of the older lodges has been taxed in caring for those who are seeking light, while the new lodges constituted have been doing their full duty as well. I doubt if a grand master has been called upon to decide if it would be lawful for a lodge to work in one hall, presided over by the worshipful master, and at the same time in another hall, with the senior warden as presiding officer, as has been the case during the past year; of course, it is unnecessary to say that this could not be permitted. It has been pleasing to me to find that, with all this crowding of work upon the lodges, they are not losing sight of the fact that it is easier to make than to unmake masons, and, too, there has been but little dissension among the craft; the office of our committee on appeals will be a perfunctory one.

The following decision settles a new point, which we do not remember as having been raised before:

6. Can the civil authorities reduce the jurisdiction of a lodge by extending the city limits towards said lodge? Yes.

Upon their strained relations with the masonic world the grand master says:

I have received a number of communications referring directly or indirectly to our position with regard to the four grand lodges in this country which withhold recognition from this grand lodge. As I feel that we have done all that we can in the past to promote that fraternal feeling that should exist between grand lodges and preserve our autonomy, and as no communications have been received from offi-

cial sources, I have been silent in the matter, trusting that time and patience will conquer all things.

The trouble with the Grand Lodge of Washington is that it did not do what it now claims to have done as regards the objectionable recognition of negro masonry. Had the sixth declaration of their manifesto of 1899 ended with the words "said resolution is hereby repealed," all would have been well and good. It is the subsequent reiteration of their position, in more pronounced and emphatic language, to which exceptions are justly taken. Washington is the only grand lodge in the country which has recognized Prince Hall Lodge and its spurious and illegitimate offspring, and this recognition still remains of record as the law in that jurisdiction.

The applications of the Grand Orient of Brazil and the Grand Lodge of Costa Rico for recognition were deferred; fraternal greetings were exchanged with Wisconsin and Oregon; a lengthy but very interesting address was delivered by Bro. A. J. Craven, grand orator; several amendments to the code with regard to concurrent jurisdiction were adopted; a committee was appointed to consider the advisability of establishing a masonic home; seven charters were granted and two dispensations continued; the grand lodge library was ordered removed from Olympia to Tacoma; a resolution conveying the assurance of continued brotherly love was voted to Bro. Daniel Bagley, their oldest living past grand master, now in his eighty-sixth year; the board of custodians was directed to meet annually during the grand lodge sessions; provision was made for a district lecturer in Alaska; a vote of sympathy was extended to the venerable grand chaplain, absent from infirmities incident to old age; and an invitation to visit the new battleship Nebraska was accepted.

Bro. W. H. Upton, committee on correspondence, apologizes for his work on account of poor health and serious anxieties, but the report itself shows no signs of them. Minnesota is fraternally reviewed in four and a half pages, from which the following quotations are taken:

We can ill spare the space to give this excellent little volume the review it deserves.

The address of Grand Master H. R. Adams—whose portrait shows a wonderfully pleasant face—seems to us to be, from an ethical and literary standpoint, about the best we have thus far read this year.

The brother referred to in the following quotation, we infer, was a venerable man who many years ago presided over the craft for five years. * * * Minnesota Lodge No. 19 sent the grand master word to draw on it "for any amount which I might deem necessary for charity work." Good work, true work, square work. The grand lodge, of course, paid all the bills.

We have had some pleasant correspondence with Dr. Metcalf during the year. He has gone off to Europe to be gone several years. That he reached London in safety, and fell into good hands, we know from the fact that he sent us from there the menu of the dinner eaten by the members and visitors of Lodge Quatuor Coronati, May 6th, 1904.

Grand Orator J. C. Bennett delivered an oration in somewhat the same vein as the grand master's address.

The amended constitution—only—is printed in the volume and adds to its value.

Concerning the rest of the volume we should be *almost* justified in copying our language of last year. * * * But the proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association do *not* appear this year, and Bro. Todd does have a few comments.

Bro. Metcalf writes from Siena, Italy, Dec. 1st, that he has "had a royal summer, and feels hearty."

M.: W.: E. H. Van Patten, Dayton, Grand Master;
R.: W.: T. M. Reed, Olympia, reëlected Grand Secretary;
Bro. W. H. Upton, Walla Walla, committee on correspondence.

WEST VIRGINIA, 1903.

The thirty-ninth annual communication was held at Wheeling, Nov. 11th and 12th, M.: W.: George Hatch, Grand Master. One hundred and twenty-two lodges represented; one hundred and twenty-nine on the roll. Eleven past grand masters present; our representative absent.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership eight thousand, five hundred, and seventy-four; gain five hundred and fifty-one. Receipts, \$6,557.

The portrait is that of the grand master.

Charters were granted the two lodges under dispensation, and jewels were voted to all the living past grand masters.

The following interesting paragraphs are taken from the accomplished grand secretary's eighteenth report on foreign correspondence:

A batch of pictures of prominent Minnesota masons cover the three first pages of this neatly printed book. It is getting quite common nowadays for grand lodges to give to the world portraits of their prominent members, and it is right that they should do so. No book is readable in these fast times unless it prints the portraits of its prominent characters.

M. W. Grand Master Countryman delivered a carefully prepared annual address, which embraced many important subjects.

The grand orator, Bro. W. C. Masterman, delivered an able oration before the grand lodge. The entire address reveals clearness, force, and practicability.

About one-half of the volume of proceedings is devoted to a record of the semi-centennial celebration of this grand lodge. Speeches were made, history was recited, bands played, and scores of portraits were printed. On the whole, it was a great occasion. From an insignificant beginning fifty years ago freemasonry in Minnesota has grown to be an enormous tree, whose branches overshadow the entire commonwealth. The world moves, and so does freemasonry.

Our versatile friend and brother, Irving Todd, is the author of the report on foreign correspondence, a very interesting and fraternal production.

M. W. George Hatch, Wheeling, Grand Master, and R. W. G. W. Atkinson, Charleston, Grand Secretary, were reelected.

WISCONSIN, 1904.

The sixtieth annual communication was held at Milwaukee, June 14th, 15th, and 16th, M. W. John Corscot, Grand Master. Two hundred and thirty-seven lodges represented; two hundred and fifty-two on the roll. Thir-

teen past grand masters present, including our representative.

Two dispensations for new lodges; one charter surrendered. Membership twenty thousand, five hundred, and seventy-one; gain eight hundred and fifty-eight. Receipts \$11,187.85.

The deaths of Bro. Gabriel Bouck, past grand master, and Bro. G. E. Hoskinson, past grand secretary, were announced. Their portraits appear among the memorial pages.

The following decision was disapproved, as being in conflict with the edict defining the powers of a master:

9. A member of a lodge in good standing, though a saloon keeper, cannot by order of the worshipful master be lawfully excluded from a masonic funeral procession.

The committee on jurisdiction held that the master might exclude any member therefrom, but if on account of his business only it would be an abuse of power.

The grand secretary noted the receipt of a dispensation from the Grand Master of New York, dated June 12th, 1824, establishing Menomonee Lodge, in the town of Green Bay, and a supplementary dispensation permitting the brethren to meet and work without the usual installation of officers. These interesting documents were found among the papers of a deceased past grand master, and turned over to the grand lodge by his executor.

Fraternal greetings were exchanged with Washington, South Dakota, and Oregon by telegraph; the chief justice of Iowa was a distinguished visitor; a hat collection of \$94 was taken for a needy brother, the contribution limited to twenty-five cents each; several portraits of past grand officers were presented and accepted; an edict was adopted prohibiting the holding of masonic fairs and similar enterprises for gain; the compensation of the chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence was increased from \$300 to \$600, and dated back a year; it was resolved to place the sum of \$500 from the charity fund annually in

the hands of the grand master, to be dispensed at his discretion; charters were granted the two lodges under dispensation; and a jewel was voted to the retiring grand master.

Bro. Aldro Jenks submitted another of his excellent and meritorious reports on foreign correspondence, with a very fraternal review of Minnesota. The brethren must have read advance copies when they voted to double his annual salary.

He explains that the ruling allowing three master masons to open a lodge and do business has been the law in Wisconsin for many years. Consequently we withdraw our objection of last year, but not to the decision itself considered solely upon its merits, and not as the practice in any particular jurisdiction which sees fit to adopt it.

M.: W.: D. H. Wright, Madison, Grand Master; R.: W.: W. W. Perry, Milwaukee, reëlected Grand Secretary; Bro. Aldro Jenks, Dodgeville, committee on foreign correspondence.

WYOMING, 1904.

The thirtieth annual communication was held at Evanston, Aug. 17th, M.: W.: T. S. Taliaferro, Jr., Grand Master. Sixteen lodges represented; twenty-one on the roll. Five past grand masters present.

Two dispensations for new lodges. Membership sixteen hundred and forty-nine; gain one hundred and sixty-one. Receipts \$2,482.50.

The portrait is that of the grand master elect.

There is nothing in the somewhat lengthy address of any particular interest.

The Grand Secretary of Utah was an honored visitor; thanks were returned to the local brethren and ladies for their many courtesies; two charters were granted to lodges under dispensation; the grand master was authorized to appoint a memorial day, the services to be attended in masonic clothing; and the salary of the grand secretary

was fixed at \$700, including the report on correspondence.

Bro. W. L. Kuykendall submitted his nineteenth report, reviewing the proceedings of fifty-three grand lodges, several of them for two years. He regrets that Minnesota failed to legislate upon the subject of requiring documentary evidence from visitors, but coincides with its declination to waive jurisdiction over material on the border at wholesale.

Of the revision of our constitution he says:

It is drawn on different lines to any others noticed, but covers about the same ground. We do not agree with the statement that the twenty-six purported landmarks therein contained "have been generally received and acknowledged as such." Minnesota can consider them landmarks, but that does not make them such. Only those that are accepted everywhere among regular and recognized masons can be truly classed as landmarks of freemasonry.

Under British Columbia we have referred to the origin of our organic law, not necessary to be repeated here. Instead of incorporating the ancient charges into the document itself, then quite customary, a summary was substituted by the committee, the authorship of which is not known. The Grand Lodge of Minnesota has retained the identical language nearly half a century, and is likely to continue along this line for many years to come.

After reaffirming his opposition to the past master's degree, as the ceremony pertaining to the installation of a master is commonly termed, he fires the following conundrum at the boys:

As to the words ancient usage, appearing so often in masonry, here is a good place to ask our brother reporters what length of time is necessary to constitute such usage? Is it twenty-five, fifty, one hundred, or a longer period of years? We are anxious to ascertain how our idea of things ancient compares with the general consensus of opinion on that subject.

Bro. Kuykendall will presumably have some difficulty in pinning the guild down to precise dates. The time when the memory of man runneth not to the contrary is

sufficiently exact for most of them, and for all practical purposes. Or if he must have a starting point let him take 1721, the date of Bro. James Anderson's compilation. Among the ancient usages there laid down he will find that a new master was installed with certain significant ceremonies; hence the past master's degree now conferred upon a master elect in many of our jurisdictions, and formerly, it is believed, in all of them.

M.: W.: F. A. Luckfield, Rawlins, Grand Master; R.: W.: W. L. Kuykendall, Saratoga, reelected Grand Secretary.

Fraternally submitted,

IRVING TODD,

For the Committee.

Hastings, Dec. 27th, 1904.

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EDWIN PRINCE CAPEN, 1902-1903.

HONORARY ROLL OF MINNESOTA VETERANS.

(Fifty or more years Master Masons.)

JOHN MINOT DAGGETT, 1841.	THOS. JEFFERSON LOMBARD, 1851.
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GILES WILLIAM MERRILL, 1850.	SAMUEL EMERY ADAMS, 1853.
JOSIAH BLODGETT CHANEY, 1852.	WILLIAM HENRY HOIT, 1853.
FRANKLIN ADAMS WELLES, 1853.	JAMES ABELL, 1853.
WM. PENN McCORMACK, 1853.	JAMES M. D. CRAFT, 1854.
ALVAH ANDREW CRAMPTON, 1853.	ROBERT CRAWFORD WILEY, 1854.
JOHN FRANCIS MARTIN, 1845.	JOHN BURROWS COOK, 1854.
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JOHN WADLIN MILLER, 1850.	

The Fourteenth Annual Reunion and Feast will be held in St. Paul Wednesday evening, Jan. 17, 1906.

*Deceased, April 27, 1902.

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AT THE
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ST. PAUL, JANUARY, 1904.

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REPORTS OF SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

The report of the Secretary for 1903 was submitted as follows:

Active members, Jan. 1, 1903.....	387
Added during the year.....	45
	432
Died during the year.....	13
	419
Active members, Jan. 1, 1904.....	
Honorary members, Jan. 1, 1903.....	23
Added during the year.....	6
	29
Died during the year.....	4
	25
Honorary members, Jan. 1, 1904.....	
Total membership, Jan. 1, 1904.....	444

Receipts for the year 1903 have been—

Fees from forty-five petitioners, at \$5.....	\$225.00
Cash advanced by E. P. Capen.....	10.00
	\$235.00
Twelve orders drawn (Nos. 97 to 108).....	254.98
	\$19.98
Excess of expenditures over receipts.....	

The Treasurer's report showed—

Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1903.....	\$30.15
Received during the year.....	235.00
	265.15
Total.....	
Disbursements (Warrants Nos. 97 to 108).....	254.98
	\$10.17
Cash on hand, Dec. 31, 1903.....	

These reports having been placed in the hands of the Auditing Committee, W. H. S. Wright, John A. Schlener, and A. D. Countryman, they reported them correct.

NECROLOGY.

Bro. George R. Metcalf read the obituary report of the year.

Venerable President and Brethren:

"Vanity of vanities, vanity of vanities; all is vanity." After gazing long and earnestly into the mirror of life, thus spoke our Most Excellent Grand Master, Solomon, King of Israel, and centuries later old Omar Khayyam, wisest of his race, saw reflected from its surface the same images, and was moved to the same conclusion when he sang:

"For in and out, above, about, below
'Tis nothing but a Magic Shadow-show
Play'd in a Box whose Candle is the Sun
Round which we Phantom Figures come and go."

The absolute nothingness of man, and the omnipotence of the tooth of Time are at this hour forced upon our attention when are summed up the mortuary losses of the dead year. And the loss has been a heavy one. Of the eleven names on our honorary list of Minnesota Masons who have served Freemasonry faithfully for fifty years or more, four have been erased. Two of them were active members as well, and in addition to the two eleven of the same class have been gathered to the sepulchres of their fathers. Besides these, our own Grand Lodge mourns for a Past Grand Master, and the Connecticut Masonic Veteran Association has lost the brother who had worthily presided over it for a long series of years. Both were honored and honorary members of our association. To sum up in a word, in 1903 seventeen of the Sons of Light, borne upon our roster, have entered into Eternal Rest. The departure of one, JAMES N. CASTLE, of Stillwater, has been noted at length in Vol. II, page 11, of our Proceedings. He died January 2, 1903.

ISAAC PHILLIPS WRIGHT, an active member, died February 9, 1903. He was born in Harden county, Kentucky, December 15, 1822. After serving as a volunteer from the Territory of Wisconsin during the Mexican War he came to Minnesota in the early fifties and resided in St. Paul continuously until his death. He was made a Mason in Young Lodge, No. 132, of Kentucky, in 1850. When Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 5, of this jurisdiction was organized he was its first Senior Warden, and succeeded Judge Chatfield, its first Master in the East. He was a Past High Priest of Minnesota Chapter, No. 1, and of Damascus Commandery, No. 1, K. T., he had been Captain General. Brother Wright was prominent in various business interests in St. Paul. For many years he was in the employment of the government, and was a leading member of the Board of Control. His Lodge buried him with Masonic honors.

ROYAL HATCH GOVE, an honorary member and Past Grand Master of Minnesota, died at Rochester February 28, 1903, and was buried by the Grand Lodge. A detailed account of the life and Masonic services of Brother Gove, reaching until within a few days of his death, may be found in Vol. II, page 83, of our Proceedings.

WILLIAM MOORE CROOME, an active member, was born February 16, 1836, in the town of Sherbrooke, Province of Quebec, and died March 5, 1903, in St. Paul. In his application no details are given of his early life. His occupation is stated to have been that of timber estimator, and that calling he followed for a number of years in Wisconsin. In Wisconsin he became a Mason, having been raised a Master Mason in Black River Lodge, No. 74, of that jurisdiction April 10, 1863. He died a member of Braden Lodge, No. 168, of Minnesota. The only Masonic office he ever filled was that of Junior Warden.

JAMES COTTER HAWES, an active member, died at Red Wing March 21, 1903. He was born in Danby, Tompkins county, New York, October 17, 1832. At the age of fifteen he moved to Wisconsin and lived on a farm. Married in 1853, he came to Red Wing in 1855, where he has since in the main resided. In October, 1861, he enlisted in a company of sharpshooters raised in Minnesota to join Berdan's command, and served until ill health necessitated his being mustered out in 1863. From the beginning of his Masonic life in Chattanooga Lodge, No. 199, of Tennessee, where he was raised May 21, 1866, until his death, he was a faithful and zealous member of the fraternity. He was a member at his death of Red Wing Lodge, No. 8; of La Grange Chapter, No. 4, and of Tyrian Council, No. 4, R. & S. M. He had served as presiding officer of both Chapter and Council. It was his wish to be buried by his Masonic brethren, and this was fulfilled.

WILLIAM TUTTLE RIGBY, an active member, the oldest Past Deputy Grand Master, and one of the last of the early pillars of Masonry in Minnesota, died in Clearwater April 22, 1903. Brother Rigby was born in Oxford, New York, September 14, 1824. While living at Lansing, Michigan, he was raised a Master Mason in Lansing Lodge, No. 33, October 25, 1849. He was back again in New York in time to be acting as Senior Deacon in Painted Post Lodge, No. 117, when in 1851 Father Pierson was made a Mason, and the intimacy then formed continued unbroken until the death of the latter in 1889. Rigby settled in Clearwater in 1857. It was then buried in the wilderness. But a few Masons were among its early settlers, and they wanted a Masonic Lodge. In September, 1858, Brother Rigby, with one companion, started for St. Paul to procure a dispensation. They camped by the wayside and were several days en route. The dispensation was secured, and Rigby was the first Master of Clearwater Lodge, No. 28. This position he had filled

for thirteen terms, and it is worthy of more than passing notice that he was elected and installed Master on the fortieth anniversary of his first election to that office. He had likewise served as High Priest of St. Cloud Chapter, No. 10, R'. A'. M'. In civil life he was frequently honored with official positions. He was a member of the legislature in 1864 and 1865. He had been a justice of the peace for twenty-four years in succession, and for twenty-one successive years he had been a member of the school board. People loved Rigby, and Rigby, until his end, loved his fellow man. He was buried by the Grand Lodge.

CLARK STEVENS LATTIN, an active member, died in Amboy May 7, 1903. He was born in Canada, in the town of Dunham, August 3, 1853, and while a mere child settled with his parents in Blue Earth county. He was educated in the public schools and in the Mankato Normal school. He was raised a Master Mason April 17, 1877, in Blue Earth Valley Lodge, No. 27. He died a member of Amboy Lodge, No. 193. He made a brave but ineffectual attempt to recover his health by a sojourn in California, but the "white plague" conquered. He was kindly ministered to by his Masonic brethren, and by them he was carried to his eternal resting place and committed to the grave with the usual formalities.

GEORGE WASHINGTON CARPENTER, an active member, was born March 26, 1839, in Patten, Maine, and died May 12, 1903, at his residence in Minneapolis. He was a member of Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, in which Lodge he received his degrees in 1862, the Master Mason's degree October 17th of that year. As happens in too many of our applications for membership, no details are given as to the previous life of the brother, and the final record is incomplete.

DANIEL WATSON POND, an active member, was born January 29, 1829, in Crown Point, Essex county, New York, and died in St. Paul May 30, 1903. He left New York in the spring of 1849 for Illinois. He received his Masonic degrees in Nunda Lodge, No. 169, of Illinois, in the latter months of 1855. A year or two later he removed to Minnesota and became a resident of St. Paul in 1862, and an affiliate of St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, August 4, 1865. By trade he was a mechanical engineer. Up to the very last he was a faithful attendant of his lodge, and devoted to the Brotherhood.

JAMES JENKS, an active member, a Mason of more than fifty years' standing, died in St. Cloud July 9, 1903. He was born in Westbrook, Cumberland county, Nova Scotia, February 17, 1831. At the age of twenty he became a resident of Machias, Maine, and learned the trade of carpenter and builder. On the evening of his twenty-first birthday his application for Masonic light was presented to

Warren Lodge, No. 2, of Maine, and in the early months of 1852 he received the degrees of the Lodge. Of that Lodge he had been Senior Warden and acting Master. In 1857 he migrated to Minnesota, residing for a time at St. Anthony, later at Fair Haven, Stearns county, and still later at Maine Prairie and Clearwater. In 1888 he located at St. Cloud. In these various locations he had followed mercantile pursuits, and finally had established a collection agency, in which calling he was engaged until his death. He affiliated with Clearwater Lodge, No. 28, January 31, 1860. During his residence at Fair Haven he was a regular attendant at all the meetings of his Lodge, although his home was twelve miles from his Lodge, and he was compelled to make the distance going and returning on foot. Think of that, you city bred Masons! To this man, then, Masonry meant something, for it cost much! Brother Jenks was a man of more than the ordinary stamp. He took an active interest in public affairs, was a keen observer and a constant contributor to the local press, which demonstrated that he was possessed of good judgment and a logical mind. His remains were buried in Acacia cemetery at Clearwater by the brethren of the Lodge he had loved and served so many years.

LINSEY MCKEE, an honorary member, under the provisions of the fifty-year clause of our Constitution, was a son of the South. Born December 19, 1819, in Jasper county, Georgia, he came from fighting stock. His grandfather had served for seven years in the Revolutionary Army, his father was a soldier in the War of 1812, and he himself had been a private in the Florida Indian War of 1836. Living in Alabama and conscripted by the Confederates in 1864, he was made an orderly sergeant, but declined to assist in tearing down what his father and grandfather had aided in building up, and at the first opportunity he made his way to the North, took refuge in Abraham's bosom and entered into the employment of the government. At the end of the strife he returned to his home in Wedowa, Alabama, found that his house had escaped destruction through the fortunate circumstance that the lieutenant in command of the squad of men who had been sent to burn it had found a Masonic Manual on his book shelves, and having learned from the fugitive's wife that the owner was a Mason, he rode off and left the property unharmed. Brother McKee was made a Mason in Wedowa (now Sawyer) Lodge, No. 93, of Alabama, November 9, 1848, and about a month later was raised a Master Mason. He was Master of his Lodge in 1865. After serving for two years as sheriff of his county, he moved to Plainview, Minnesota, in 1868, to Polk county, Wisconsin, a year later, to Superior in 1893, and in January, 1894, to Rush City, Minnesota, where his earthly wants were kindly and fraternally administered to by the brethren of Jasper Lodge, No. 164, until July 11, 1903, when he passed to the better country. He died an affiliate of Jasper Lodge, and had served as its Chaplain.

MATTHEW CRAIG, an honorary member, and the oldest Mason on our roster, having been raised in St. Andrews Lodge, now No. 16, of Toronto, Canada, as early as March 25, 1845, died at his home in St. Paul July 24, 1903. He was born in Renfrewshire, Scotland, December 4, 1812. By trade he was a builder, an occupation he followed after his removal to Canada and to Minnesota. He became a member of St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, February 5, 1869; was a Royal Arch Mason and a member of Minnesota Chapter, No. 1, R. A. M. To few, indeed, is it granted to live nine decades, and to fewer still is it permitted to retain their faculties and interest in the affairs of the earth, as was the lot of Brother Craig up to within a year or two of the end. It was the privilege of St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, to lay the remains of their venerable brother in its final resting place in Oakland.

SILAS N. HARRINGTON, an active member, died suddenly September 14, 1903, in Marshall, Minnesota. Brother Harrington was born in Delta, New York, June 7, 1848. In Hampton Lodge, No. 347, of New York, he was initiated, passed and raised, the latter event occurring October 26, 1874. He was a Royal Arch Mason and Templar. In the war he served in Company C, Twenty-second New York Cavalry, from 1863 to 1865. After the war he lived in New York until October, 1883, when he became a resident of Marshall, where he had since resided. Almost from the day of his arrival he was an important factor in the business, political and social life of the city. He had served one term as postmaster, and was elected register of deeds in 1902 and re-elected repeatedly, and was filling the position when he died. His final obsequies were conducted by the Knights Templar.

WILLIAM WALLACE LEE, an honorary member, a Past Grand Master of Connecticut, and since June 25, 1879, the presiding officer of the Connecticut Masonic Veteran Association, died at his home in Meriden September 14, 1903. Brother Lee was born at Barkhamsted, Connecticut, July 20, 1828. He was of the sturdy New England stock which in the early colonial days had but one creed. It feared God and honored the king. Of nothing else did it stand in awe. In Masonry, Brother Lee was raised September, 1854, in Morning Star Lodge, No. 47, and died a member of Meriden Lodge, No. 77. He had passed through the Chapter, the Council and the Commandery, and had been the presiding officer of the Grand Chapter and Grand Council as well as of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut. When he became Grand Master he had neither social prestige nor wealth to commend him, but he had what is too often forgotten in such cases, not only an honored and respected life behind him, but the promise, afterwards fulfilled, that it would not degenerate in his later years, and would continue honored and respected to the end. A degenerate Past Grand Master affects the body Masonic, as does a dead fly a pot of ointment. It causes the

whole mass to stink. What, then, Cæsar demanded of his wife, Grand Lodges should insist in demanding of their Grand Masters, that their reputation, before, during and after their elevation to the Grand East, must be above suspicion. Judged by such a standard, the career of Brother Lee was ideal.

As a citizen, he performed every duty in a manful way—five years a constable, two years a justice of the peace, four years an alderman in Meriden, and two years a member of the Connecticut legislature. "I only claim to be a decent sinner here, and have a great faith in Eternal Goodness." That statement marked the genuine, whole-souled man, a man who detested shams, whether Masonic, cleric, or civic, a man who squared his daily conduct by the teachings of the Golden Rule. Connecticut Freemasonry is the better for the life of such a representative of its inward spirit, and can ill spare his loss.

LAUHLIN JOSEPH HART, an active member, was born in Baddeck, Nova Scotia, September 3, 1854, and died in St. Paul October 20, 1903. He was raised a Master Mason in Sircom Lodge, No. 66, of Nova Scotia, December, 1875. For three years he was Master of the Lodge, and had served as Senior Grand Steward of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia. Coming to Minnesota, he was employed in railroad work for a number of years, and at his death he was the secretary of the St. Paul Produce Exchange. He was one of the early members of Braden Lodge, No. 168, and had served as its Secretary for many terms.

THOMAS CAMP PORTER, an active member, one of the early pioneers of Minnesota Territory, and the third one of the Association to die from the ranks of Clearwater Lodge, No. 28, during the year, was born in Norristown, Pennsylvania, April 22, 1826. Learning a trade which he had abandoned on arriving at age, he proceeded to St. Louis, met a brother who was in the Indian trade, journeyed with him to St. Paul by boat, and was dispatched thence to Fort Garry with a supply of goods. He was the first to drive an ox team into that country. In 1848 and 1849, he was engaged in selling goods to the soldiers and trading with the Indians. After making a claim on the east of the Mississippi in 1853, two years later he located another on the west bank in the town of Clearwater, and on it he resided the rest of his life. In his pioneer days he had many narrow escapes from death at the hands of the Indians, and these adventures if narrated at length would fill a volume. In Clearwater Lodge, No. 28, he was raised a Master Mason March 11, 1865. Of his Lodge he had been Master, and had also served as its Treasurer for nearly thirty years, only resigning the year before his death on account of failing health. The Capitular degrees had been conferred upon him in St. Cloud Chapter, No. 10, now defunct.

In civil life he had lead an active part. Among other official positions he had served as county commissioner of Wright county for two

terms and from his district had sat as a member of the legislature for three sessions—from 1881 to 1887. Although in failing health for the last four years, he never ceased to meet the daily duties of life up to the morning of December 5, 1903, when he suddenly died. He leaves a wife and one daughter.

WILLIAM H. EDISON, an active member, ceased from his labors December 16, 1903. Born in Vienna, Province of Ontario, Canada, May 23, 1836, he resided there until 1854, when he removed to Portage, Wisconsin. He moved to Milton township, Dodge county, Minnesota, in 1858, and resided there until his death. In Mantorville Lodge, No. 11, he was raised a Master Mason April 29, 1873. In the years 1887, 1888 and 1900 he was Master of his Lodge.

Brother Edison had been frequently the holder of official positions, among which may be mentioned the chairman of the board of supervisors of Milton township, and town clerk. He was esteemed and respected by all who knew him, for he always looked on the sunny side of existence, and had a genial word to every one he met. His funeral was conducted from his farm residence under the auspices of Mantorville Lodge, No. 11.

"To pay the last tribute of respect to the departed members of the Association, and to preserve in its archives a memorial of their lives and services" is the fundamental object of the organization of this and kindred Associations of Veteran Freemasons. In a measure this has been accomplished, as you have listened to the brief and simple record of the lives of our Phantom Figures which have once been known to you, and in 1903 have faded from your sight—forever.

"And we, that now make merry in the Room
They left, * * * * *
Ourselves must we beneath the Couch of Earth
Descend, ourselves to make a Couch—for whom?"

"Ah, make the most of what we yet may spend,
Before we too into the Dust descend;
Dust into Dust, and under Dust to lie,
Sans Wine, sans Song, sans Singer, and—sans End!"

OFFICERS FOR 1904.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

President—Bro. Thomas Chalmers Clark, Stillwater.

First Vice President—Bro. William Pit Murray, St. Paul.

Second Vice President—Bro. John Winthrop Eddy, Morris.

Treasurer—Bro. Israel B. B. Sprague, St. Paul.

Secretary—Bro. Giles William Merrill, St. Paul.

Marshal—Bro. Sheldon Lord Frazer, Duluth.

Rev. Bro. George Henry Davis, of Mankato, was appointed Chaplain.

THE ANNUAL FEAST.



Quid hoc sibi vult ?

One hundred and eleven tickets were taken for the Annual Feast. The tickets bore the above device and question. No response has been yet submitted which satisfactorily answers the question.

Regrets and congratulations were received from Charles Fendelow, President of the Veteran Association of England, Ireland, etc., from William J. Hugan, of England, from Francis A. Blades, of Michigan, and from officers of the Veteran Associations of New York, Brooklyn, Illinois and the Pacific coast, etc., etc. Governor Van Sant, himself a member, was out of the state. He sent his regrets and good wishes.

As always, the first toast of the evening was "The M. W. Grand Lodge of Minnesota." The response was by Bro. Ambrose D. Countryman, Past Grand Master.

The first historical paper was prepared and read by Bro. Samuel Emery Adams. It is for reasons stated published in an abridged and mutilated form. The subject was

MONTICELLO LODGE, NO. 16.

Venerable President and Brethren:

The 13th day of September, 1856, was the natal day of Monticello Lodge, No. 16, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons.

On the afternoon of that beautiful, sunny day the following brethren assembled on the banks of the great "Father of Waters" at the pleasant dwelling of Bro. Ira H. Keen, to wit: J. N. Barbur, Thomas Chambers, Ira H. Keen, Stephen J. Mason, Elijah W. Merrill and Sam E. Adams.

The Keen house is what is now known as the Bradford place, situated between the cheerful homes of Mrs. Hager and Mr. Weston.

It was the only structure built in that vicinity at that time. It had a commanding view of the green prairies on both sides of the river, and was built by Bro. Keen.

The brethren were inspired with the belief that the dissemination of the grand principles of our fraternity would prove a blessing to this locality, therefore they resolved, without a dissenting voice, to apply to the Grand Master of Masons in this then Territory of Minnesota, Bro. Pierson, for a dispensation authorizing them to work.

A selection of temporary officers was made, resulting as follows: Stephen J. Mason, Master; Sam E. Adams, Senior Warden; Thomas Chambers, Junior Warden; George M. Bertram, Senior Deacon; Ira H. Keen, Junior Deacon; Elijah W. Merrill, Secretary and Chaplain; J. N. Barbur, Treasurer, and Joseph Nelson, Tyler.

The brethren then adjourned till the arrival of the dispensation. The Senior Warden was sent to St. Paul to procure it, and returned with the necessary document, so that on the 8th day of December the brethren were enabled to meet and complete their organization, clothed with proper authority.

Meetings were held on the 15th, 22d and 29th of December, 1856, and on the 5th day of January, 1857.

Again the Senior Warden repaired to St. Paul, submitted the records and work of Monticello Lodge to the Grand Lodge, then in session, and the result was a charter granted January 8, 1857.

The date of the dispensation, according to the Grand Master's address, was October 22, 1856.

On the 24th day of January, 1857, R. W. Moses W. Getchell, of St. Anthony, proxy for the Grand Master, consecrated our Lodge, and installed the officers-elect, which were the same Master and Wardens as before; Bro. Henry H. Helm, Treasurer, and Bro. Christopher C. Burns, Secretary. It was perhaps the coldest day and night of that severe winter.

Bro. Charles Mansur, of Elk River, presented to the Lodge three large wooden candlesticks, painted blue, which he had made, and Bro. Charley E. Hill, of St. Anthony, donated the Sacred Writings, which may be probably found to-day on the altar of our Lodge. Thus were we bidden "Goodspeed" in the prosecution of the good cause before us by the fraternity surrounding.

Stephen J. Mason, born in New Hampshire, was our first Master. He was made a Mason in Hennepin Lodge, No. 4, in 1855, and is returned as Senior Deacon in the list of that Lodge's officers for that year. He was better posted and fresher in the western work than in vogue than any other one forming our new Lodge, and hence was unanimously selected.

He lived very leisurely in a log shanty on his claim, skirting the village limits.

He was enrolled as a broker, and delighted in the discussion of financial subjects. He was said to have been at an early date judge of probate in Wright county, and occasionally figured as a lawyer to a limited degree. He was a bachelor, peculiar in habits and taste. He was naturally erratic, as some of you doubtless will remember. Whether he is still living, I do not know.

The first Senior Warden, Sam. E. Adams, was born in Vermont, and was initiated, passed and raised November 3, 1853, in Vermont Lodge, No. 18, then held in a tavern at Hartland Four Corners. A dispensation was granted in this case because Bro. Adams was engaged in the United States mail service between Boston and Burlington, and could not often visit the home he had acquired as a resident school teacher. He received his Chapter, Council and Commandery degrees at Burlington, Vermont.

We will pass to the Junior Warden, Bro. Thomas Chambers, who was made a Mason in Hennepin Lodge, No. 4, in 1853. He was born in Ireland.

Bro. Chambers started the first store in Monticello, as well as in Minneapolis. He was clerk of our district court and held other local offices.

When remorseless savages butchered men, women and children on our frontiers, Bro. Chambers left the demands of business, the repose and comforts of home, and did signal service in warding off the advance of bands of murderous Indians, and in forcing their retreat from our borders. He and one of the Holmes brothers probably saved Forest City from destruction.

When the Civil War came he demonstrated his devotion to the flag of his adopted country by entering the ranks of the defenders of the Union and by serving his time till honorably discharged. He was industrious, faithful, honest, sober, enterprising and patriotic.

As a brother Mason and member of the Grand Army of the Republic, I gave utterance of my tribute to his memory at the side of his coffin July 25, 1883, the day on which we buried him in the silent grave with military honors.

Our Senior Deacon, George W. Bertram, was born in New York, and made a Mason in Hennepin Lodge, U. D., afterwards No. 4, in 1854. He was a tailor by trade, and I well recollect a little one and a half foot square sign he swung outside his home here at an early day. It was the first appearance of metropolitan airs in this locality.

Bro. Bertram was always to be depended upon in Lodge attendance. He held many positions of trust. He was sheriff of Wright county during the so-called "Wright County War," famous in Minnesota history. Courage, intelligence and determination were needed then, and Bro. Bertram was fully equipped for the trying occasion.

Time will not permit a narration of the particulars of that war, or the important part taken therein by Bro. Bertram. Like Bro. Chambers, Bro. Bertram could not tolerate the dismemberment of the republic by the firebrands of secession, so he became a member of Company H, Third Minnesota Volunteers, October 23, 1861, and was transferred to the Veteran Reserve Corps in 1863. Finally he was honorably discharged from the service with a very excellent record. Bro. Bertram was a firm, faithful, generous and sober man. He died March 16, 1869, and was buried with Masonic honors.

Our Junior Deacon, Bro. Ira H. Keen, was born in Maine, a lumberman by trade, and was employed by Bro. Charles King in his saw mill, which was located where Hitter's mill recently stood. He was made a Mason in Cataract Lodge, No. 2, in 1852, and was a hustling, reliable, cheerful man and Mason. He dimitted from us May 23, 1850, and was buried the same year in the golden sands of California by our Masonic brethren there.

Our temporary Secretary and Chaplain was Elijah W. Merrill, a teacher by profession, and a native of New Hampshire. There is no record of his Masonic history.

He opened the first school of any note in our village, and was a very popular and thorough instructor.

ROCHESTER LODGE, NO. 21, A. F. & A. M.

Venerable President and Brethren:

The history of Rochester Lodge, No. 21, presents few events that would seem interesting to any other than its own members. I did not appreciate this when, thoughtlessly perhaps, I promised to write a brief history of the Lodge for this Association.

That was months ago, and at the time I thought it would be an easy task, but as the days passed, and business cares multiplied, I found the hour approaching and nothing done. I then induced Bro. J. A. Leonard, whose name is first on the roll (he being the oldest member of the Lodge), to collect data and to assist in the preparation of this paper. This he kindly consented to do. Hence, whatever of merit this brief history may contain, give credit to whom credit is due.

Before proceeding, permit me to say a word regarding Bro. Leonard, who has been so long and so closely identified with Rochester Lodge. He came to Rochester in 1858 from Whitewater, Wisconsin, where he had followed the practice of medicine. He transcribed into our record book the records of the first and many succeeding meetings of the Lodge. This book is now in the archives of the Lodge. He has held many important positions of honor and trust during his residence of forty-six years in Rochester. He was the first county attorney of Olmsted county, having studied law and having been admitted to the bar prior to his coming to Minnesota. He was the first republican postmaster of the city of Rochester. He enlisted in the army as a captain and commissary, and was honorably discharged with the brevet rank of major. He then purchased an interest in the Rochester Post, which paper he published for thirty-five years. Meanwhile he has been president of the State Editorial Association, state senator, register of the United States land office at Marshall, member of the state inebriate asylum board for eight years, consul at Edinburgh, Calcutta, and Shanghai, and judge of probate of Olmsted county for two terms. With his pen and voice he has done much to mould public opinion, and has ever been held in high esteem as a man and Mason.

Who within the sound of my voice does not know of Rochester, the Queen City of Minnesota? It is situated in the beautiful valley of the Zumbro, fifty miles west of the Mississippi river, thirty miles from the Iowa line, and seventy-five miles southeast from St. Paul. It was settled in 1854, and its early population was made up largely of sturdy pioneers from the eastern states, some coming from Rochester, New York, from whence it obtained its name. It is purely dependent upon the agricultural country that surrounds it, but the energy and public spirit of its citizens are manifested by the beautifully shaded streets, its churches, and public buildings. Many of

our citizens have won renown, either within the state or without, and in nearly every instance they have been members of Rochester Lodge, No. 21. I will mention but few of the best known. Bro. R. A. Jones, who died while holding the position of chief justice of Washington; Bro. C. M. Start, now chief justice of our own commonwealth; Bro. F. B. Kellogg, partner of the late and lamented C. K. Davis, and now a prominent lawyer in this city; Bro. Geo. W. Van Dusen, the grain king of Minneapolis; Drs. W. W. and C. H. Mayo, of St. Mary's hospital fame. These and many other prominent men first saw the light of Masonic day in Rochester Lodge. Our Lodge has been honored by the Grand Lodge by selecting two from among its members to serve as Grand Masters, Bro. R. H. Gove and your humble servant.

The dispensation for the organization of a Lodge of A.° F.° and A.° M.° was granted by M.° W.° G.° M.° A. T. C. Pierson in 1857. The first meeting was held in LeSuer's hall August 24th of that year, with Brothers Volney W. Bailey, E. A. McMahon, J. N. McLane, P. Roberts, C. D. Houghton, Peter Cassidy, William D. Lowry, Thomas Harrington, Stephen Bredin, J. M. Williams and Stiles P. Jones as charter members.

The first officers were Volney W. Bailey, W.° M.°, Charles C. Jones, S.° W.°, and C. S. Younglove, J.° W.°. Of these brethren two are still living, C. C. Jones and C. S. Younglove, and both are residents of California. The Lodge was consecrated February 27, 1858, by V. W. Bailey, D.° G.° M.°, under the name of Rochester Lodge, No. 21, with Dr. L. H. Kelly as W.° M.°. A special communication of the Lodge was held September 17, 1858, at which time the M.° W.° G.° M.° A. T. C. Pierson was present, and gave the Lodge timely and valuable instruction. It must be remembered that such visitations were rare in those days, as the only means of transportation was by team. At its organization the Lodge met in LeSuer hall, which was its Masonic home for about five years. The Lodge was small in numbers, as might be expected in the early days of a frontier village, with an uncertain future, such as Rochester was then (for be it remembered that Rochester, Marion and Oronoco, were each striving to secure the county seat), and anything but wealthy and its home a lowly one.

Bro. LeSuer was a merchant, doing business in a small building on Broadway, on the present site of the Palace block. It was one and a half stories in height. Part of the upper story was known as LeSuer hall, and used as the Lodge room. It was small and low, and Bro. Leonard well remembers when it was used during the day as a millinery shop, and the brethren before opening the Lodge had to set aside the female paraphernalia. But all places are alike to Masonry, and the Lodge lived and grew, and with the growth of the town the opportunity came for better surroundings. In the sum-

mer of 1861 the Lodge moved into a larger two-story building, on the corner of Broadway and Fourth streets, now the site of Paul Hargeshiemer's drug store. The whole upper story was rented by the Lodge, was neatly fitted up, and the brethren had a cozy and pretty Masonic home, in which four years of prosperity were enjoyed.

In July, 1864, a special communication was held for the reception of M. W. G. M. A. T. C. Pierson as a visitor.

The Lodge had grown and prospered, until it was found that the Lodge room, which had met every requirement when first rented, had become too contracted for the new conditions surrounding a growing Lodge in a growing town, and so when Bro. R. B. Graham built at the corner of Broadway and Zumbro street, what was then considered a large and handsome brick block, it was arranged that the Lodge should build and own the third story to his building. It was built and fitted up in a commodious and handsome style, with ample accommodations for the Chapter and Commandery, which had meanwhile been established and were also flourishing. So it came about that in 1865 the Lodge moved into quarters which were the finest outside the Twin Cities.

In December, 1866, the Lodge had the pleasure of receiving visit from the then M. W. G. M. C. W. Nash, who delivered highly appreciated address at a public installation held in Heany's hall.

In November, 1867, a Widows' and Orphans' fund was established by voluntary contributions, amounting to \$61.53. The Lodge has always responded liberally to charitable appeals. They have prided themselves upon the fact that they had never asked aid of the G. L. for relief until about three years ago, after they had assisted a brother who had been sick for nearly three years, they asked and received aid for a worthy brother in distress, and for the widow of a deceased brother. This year they ask for nothing, since they have sufficient to care for the needy.

In February, 1869, the Lodge received a visit from the distinguished and eccentric Mason, Brother Rob Morris. He spent a couple of days with the brethren, and gave two lectures which were highly enjoyed by all who had the opportunity to hear him.

On the afternoon of December 20, 1888, a Lodge of Sorrow was held in the Lodge room, to which the public was invited.

It was held in memory of two Past Masters of Rochester Lodge, No. 21, who had passed over the river of death during the year, Richard A. Jones and Arthur L. Gove, the latter the son of the late R. H. Gove, P. G. M. An overflowing audience filled the room, and the ceremonies and appropriate addresses were received with marked attention. It was an occasion worthy of the high esteem in which the deceased brothers were held by the Lodge, of which they had been most distinguished members.

The Lodge celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary on August 24, 1882. The gathering was an important event in its history. The report of the committee appointed to write the history of the first twenty-five years of the existence of the Lodge reported, among other things, that on the 24th of December, 1866, the minutes showed that the sum of \$2,519.25 had been paid by the members to liquidate the then indebtedness. On June 21, 1875, the Lodge adopted Articles of Incorporation and became a corporate body. That during the first twenty-five years the Lodge had made two hundred and twenty-one Masons, and had had three hundred and thirty-two members. The Lodge then numbered one hundred and forty-eight.

At the risk of being accused of making mention of a personal event, I cannot pass over a meeting of the Lodge held July 11, 1898, at which time your humble servant, then G. M., raised his only son to the sublime degree of a Master Mason. The occasion was one long to be remembered. There were present about sixty-five brethren from Minneapolis, largely members of No. 19, who kindly assisted in the work, and in entertaining the three hundred present with speeches of an unusually high order. That all had a delightful time was evinced by the fact that at 2:30 a. m. the brethren were loth to leave the Lodge room.

With the growth and prosperity of the Lodge there had grown a desire, on the part of the zealous members, for a Masonic building to be owned exclusively by the Order, and of creditable architecture. In the winter of '96-'97 a chance to purchase one of the best sites in the city presented itself, and with the approval of the Lodge the lots were purchased. A Masonic Temple Association was organized, and they proceeded to plan and to build. Ground was broken on July 4, 1900, and the corner stone was laid with full Masonic ceremonies on the 27th day of August, 1900, by the M. W. G. M. Alonzo Brandenburg, assisted by officers of the Grand Lodge. The occasion was one of deep interest to the Craft, and there was a great assemblage of the brethren from other Lodges. It was a grand as well as important event in the history of Minnesota Masonry. The Temple was completed, the Lodge moved from the old home that for thirty-six years had been its enjoyable gathering place, into its new and far more elegant home.

The dedication of the Temple took place on the 17th of January, 1901. The ceremonies were conducted by the M. W. G. M. A. Brandenburg in full form. This too was a great Masonic event, and was witnessed by a large concourse of people and many visiting brethren.

The new Temple is a handsome three-story pressed brick and brown stone building, of modern architecture, with ample accommodations for the use of the Lodge, Chapter and Commandery, comfort-

ably fitted and furnished, and is a credit both to the city and to the Masonic Fraternity.

Rochester Lodge has, during the almost fifty years whose history we have endeavored to detail, kept fully alive, and has during most of the time grown in membership and efficiency. It now has a membership of one hundred and thirty-nine, in a city of over seven thousand population, and is a fine illustration of that vitality, perseverance and loyalty, tempered with harmony and good will, which leads us to hope that Masonry may never, never, no, never die.

It was moved to publish the Proceedings, funds permitting, and to distribute them in pamphlet form as usual.

Receipts from eleven petitioners, \$55.

Adjourned.

GILES WILLIAM MERRILL,
Secretary.

NOTICE.

The active members of this Association shall be composed of Master Masons in good standing and of twenty-one years of Masonic age, resident in Minnesota or members of a Minnesota Lodge, who may petition to become such. The admission fee for active members is five dollars. This includes the badge and certificate of membership. There are no annual dues. Honorary membership without fee is granted to any Minnesota Mason in good standing who has been a Master Mason for fifty years. Election to membership occurs at intervals during the year. Blank petitions may be obtained by addressing Giles W. Merrill, Secretary, 669 Laurel Ave., St. Paul, or the President, Dr. Thomas C. Clark, Stillwater, Minn. A limited number of complete sets of the Proceedings, as well as odd numbers to complete files, may be obtained from the Secretary by any member of the Association who may desire to bind them and will remit postage. They record the early history of Minnesota Masonry and are illustrated by numerous portraits.

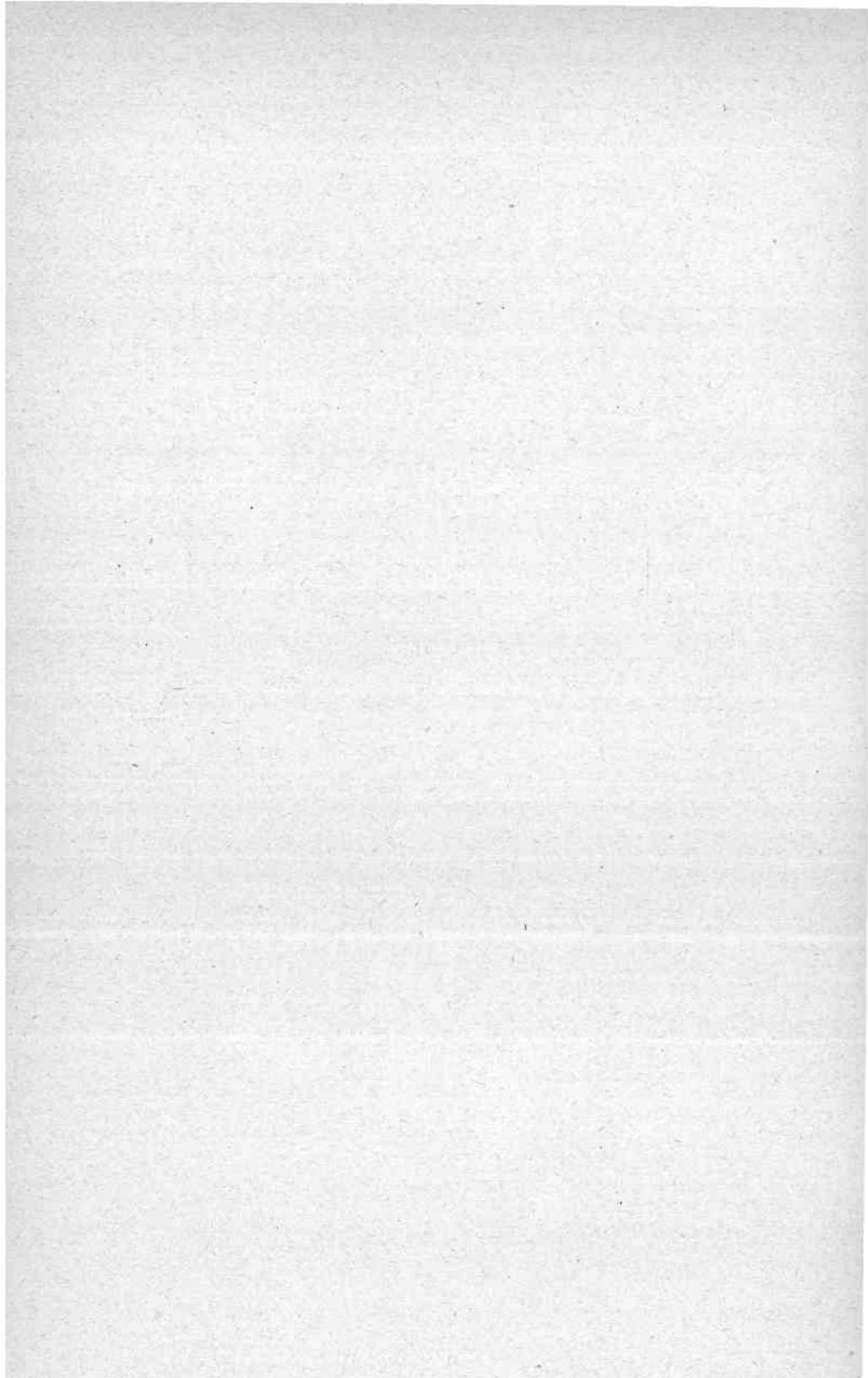
ROSTER OF MEMBERS OF THE MASONIC VETERAN ASSOCIATION OF MINNESOTA—Continued. **

Certificate Number.	NAME.	RESIDENCE. (Minnesota.)	Date Made Master Mason.	Date of Election to Membership in M. V. A.	PRESENT LODGE MEMBERSHIP.		
					Lodge.	No.	State.
484	Albert A. Keith	Chicago, Ill.	June 9, 1876	April 30, 1903	Kharum	112	Minn.
485	James Brodie	St. Paul	Dec. —, 1872	Sept. 8, 1903	Summit	163	Minn.
486	Monroe H. Silvernale	Kenyon	Sept. 2, 1881	Sept. 8, 1903	Kenyon	201	Minn.
487	Herman A. Maas	Minneapolis	Sept. 10, 1881	Dec. 31, 1903	Minneapolis	19	Minn.
488	Samuel G. Iverson	St. Paul	Dec. 28, 1881	Jan. 19, 1904	Mystic Star	69	Minn.
489	Frederick Bloom	Woodstock	April 4, 1881	Jan. 19, 1904	Quarry	145	Minn.
490	John G. Barwise	St. Paul	Jan. 12, 1882	Jan. 19, 1904	Ancient Landmark	176	Minn.
491	Robert J. Gault	Minneapolis	July 10, 1882	Jan. 19, 1904	Ark	15	Minn.
492	Horace A. Town	Minneapolis	April 30, 1883	Jan. 19, 1904	Minnesota	224	Minn.
493	Richard Nelson Vail	Canton	Sept. 25, 1872	Jan. 19, 1904	Canton	194	Minn.
494	Tilton O. Allen	Winnipeg City	June 6, 1877	Jan. 19, 1904	Blue Earth Valley	27	Minn.
495	Seth Morris Hewitt	Winnipeg City	April 4, 1871	Jan. 19, 1904	Ark	176	Minn.
496	Henry Louis Cruttenden	Northfield	Feb. 16, 1881	Jan. 19, 1904	Social	48	Minn.
497	George Frederick Dix	St. Paul	Feb. 28, 1882	Jan. 19, 1904	Shekinah	171	Minn.
498	Frank Horn	St. Paul	June 15, 1882	Jan. 19, 1904	Ancient Landmark	5	Minn.
499	Frank B. Doran	St. Paul	May 6, 1882	Jan. 19, 1904	Shekinah	171	Minn.
500	John Barrows Cook	St. Paul	Nov. 23, 1854	Jan. 20, 1904	St. Paul	8	Minn.
501	Herbert Wilkin Topping	St. Paul	Sept. 9, 1872	Jan. 20, 1904	Master's	5	N. Y.
502	James Henry Watson	St. Paul	April 22, 1872	Jan. 20, 1904	Master's	5	N. Y.
503	Frederick M. H. Kendrick	St. Paul	Nov. 28, 1881	Jan. 20, 1904	Delta	119	Minn.
504	Charles Colby Whitney	St. Paul	Dec. 28, 1881	Jan. 20, 1904	Anoka	30	Minn.
505	Oliver Franklin Barnes	Anoka	July 21, 1870	Jan. 20, 1904	Mankato	12	Minn.
506	Charles W. Herrmann	Minneapolis	Oct. 19, 1859	Jan. 20, 1904	St. John's	3	Conn.
507	George Edward Warner	Minneapolis	May 18, 1873	Jan. 20, 1904	Stewart	229	Minn.
508	Hugh Arthur Burns	Stewart	March 18, 1875	Jan. 20, 1904	Ark	176	Minn.
509	William G. Bearskley	Minneapolis	Nov. 22, 1885	Jan. 20, 1904	Ancient Landmark	5	Minn.
510	Benjamin L. Goodkind	St. Paul	June 8, 1882	Jan. 20, 1904	Ancient Landmark	5	Minn.

** For preceding names and data of Active Members, see Vol. I., pages 262 *et seq.*, and Vol. II., page 14 *et seq.*, of the Proceedings of the Association.

For obvious reasons the annual publication of a complete Roster of the Association is abandoned. Hereafter it will appear in full once in three or five years, and the accessions of the year only will be printed in the Annual Proceedings. There are now (Feb. 1, 1904) 442 Active Members and 26 Honorary Members, a total of 468 members of the Association.

Since the last publication of our Honorary list, John Young Reeve of St. Paul, made a Mason in 1845, John Minot Daggett of St. Paul, a Mason in 1841, William Penn McCormack of Minneapolis, a Mason in 1853, William Henry Hoit of Minneapolis, a Mason in 1853, and Franklin Adams Welles of Plainview, a Mason in 1853, have been elected Honorary members. Their numbers on the roll are Nos. 43, 44, 45, 46 and 47 respectively.



PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
MASONIC VETERAN ASSOCIATION
OF MINNESOTA

AT THE
THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REUNION.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 17, 1905.

Pursuant to the usual notice, mailed to all of our members, the first session of the Thirteenth Annual Reunion of the Masonic Veteran Association of Minnesota was held this Tuesday evening, Jan. 17, 1905, in the ante-room of Masonic Hall, at St. Paul, at 8 o'clock p. m.

Present—Bro. Thos. C. Clark, President.

Bro. John W. Eddy, Second Vice President.

Bro. I. B. B. Sprague, Treasurer.

Bro. G. W. Merrill, Secretary, and a constitutional number of members.

As has been our custom, the general business of the Association was deferred until to-morrow evening. Twenty-six Master Masons eligible to membership were duly elected. (See Roster Nos. 519 to 544, inclusive.)

Receipts from twenty-three petitioners at \$5 = \$115.

The fees for three petitions were received before Jan. 1, 1905, and were included in the financial reports for the year 1904.

Adjourned.

GILES W. MERRILL,
Secretary.

SECOND SESSION.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 20, 1905.

Pursuant to adjournment, the second session of the Thirteenth Annual Reunion of our Association was held in the "Blue Room" of Masonic Hall, Jan. 18, 1905, at 8 o'clock.

Present—Bro. Thomas C. Clark, President.
Bro. John W. Eddy, Second Vice President.
Bro. Israel B. B. Sprague, Treasurer.
Bro. Giles W. Merrill, Secretary.
Bro. Sheldon L. Frazer, Marshall.
Bro. Rev. George H. Davis, Chaplain, and one hundred and thirty of the Brethren.

Bro. Wm. Pitt Murray, First Vice President, was absent on account of serious illness.

The minutes of the last annual session, having been printed, were not read. The minutes of the meetings of the board of directors, since the Annual Reunion, in January, 1904, held on March 29th, July 27th, November 3d and December 7th, were read and approved.

At those meetings eight active members were elected. (See Roster Nos. 511 to 518, inclusive.) Bro. James Abell, a Mason of over fifty years' standing, was elected to honorary membership July 27, 1904.

Petitions received for active membership from ten eligible Master Masons, and they were duly elected. (See Roster Nos. 545 to 554, inclusive.)

Newly elected Brethren, who had not been formally received into our Association, to the number of about twenty-five, were ranged on the west of the altar, and were welcomed in a brief and appropriate speech by our Chaplain, Bro. Geo. R. Davis, and with the customary ceremonies of the "loving cup."

Bro. Higbee offered a resolution that the Secretary convey to Bro. Wm. P. Murray the sympathies of our members in his serious illness, and our brotherly wishes for his restoration to health. Adopted.

THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

In accordance with the requirements of our constitution, and in compliance with the custom of the Founder of our Association, I present this report of my stewardship as President for the past year.

Although there is but little of interest in our history of the past year, as set forth in the Secretary's report, I wish to call your attention to some matters of vital interest to our future welfare.

I have received no communication from any one in reference to the interests of the Association, during the past year, except from the Secretary, Brother Merrill, and the M. W. Grand Master.

This is easily explained. The Masonic Veteran Association is indissolubly connected in the minds of our venerable Brothers, wherever dispersed, with the name of our founder and first President, George Reuben Metcalf.

He had put himself in touch with all the Brethren interested in this Veteran movement, throughout the world, and when he ceased to be actively connected with our Association, our Masonic Brethren elsewhere were like sheep without a shepherd.

This brings me to the statement of the fact that this Association, in order to progress along the lines laid down by its founder, should have for its President one who has the time, taste and ability to devote to the duties of the office, much hard labor, under circumstances which will dampen his ardor and often lead him to feel that there is very little interest felt by the great body of the Craft in the preservation of the early history of Masonry in Minnesota.

If such a man can be found, and your President disclaims the necessary qualifications, he should be kept in office for a term of years, in fact for as long a period as he can be persuaded to fill the position, that he may get in touch with the Brethren, not only in this jurisdiction, but throughout the world, to the end that our Association may carry out its object of becoming the preserver and conservator of Masonic History.

To make this matter plain, I cannot do better than to quote from President Metcalf's farewell address at the close of his ten-year occupancy of the President's chair:

"Whether the result shall in the end show it was wise or not, your President, in these ten years, has been responsible for the peculiar way in which the Association has developed, differing, as it does, from every other Veteran Association in the world, unique, in the fact that the main work of the Association has been to advance the interests of the Grand Lodge, through its deliberate purpose to further historical investigation, and to preserve to future generations precious material that would have been certainly and otherwise forgotten and lost, and in making the annual feasts and reunions, which are the *main* features of all other Associations, *secondary* in ours to the historical factor.

"Eight years ago I ventured to predict in the face of many doubters that our Annual Reunions would grow to be the leading social feature in Grand Lodge work, and now, at the completion of the first decade of our existence, with this prophecy fulfilled, I will hazard another prediction, that, should this Association continue to live for the best interest of the Grand Lodge, to store up in its proceedings the facts of Masonic history, and the acts of the fathers of Minnesota Masonry, and, above all, to avoid degenerating into an annual feasting organization, for the sole and momentary gratification of its members, the time will come that the election to preside over the Masonic Veterans of Minnesota will be regarded as only *secondary* in point of importance and honor to be chosen Grand Master of Minnesota's Masons."

A man's usefulness in this position grows with years. Compare the paper of President Metcalf in the proceedings of 1897, on "The Foundation of Masonry in the Capital City," with his monumental work, "A Chronicle of the Semi-Centennial Observance of the founding of the M. W. Grand Lodge, A. F. and A. M. of Minnesota," in the proceedings of 1903, and see how the subject grows and expands under the accretions of years of study and historical research.

He well says in a recent letter, "The work will demand of you much hard labor and some chagrin that your wishes for co-operation are not more ardently met, but *the game is worth the candle*, and you will feel as I do, that such work will be better appreciated by the Masons who live fifty or a hundred years hence, than by our contemporaries."

HISTORY OF EARLY LODGES.

So far historical sketches, more or less complete, have been published in our proceedings, of the Lodges from one to twenty, with the following exceptions:

Red Wing, No. 8, Mantorville, No. 9, Wapahasa, No. 14, Hokah, No. 17.

Bro. Dwight Baldwin had a paper on Red Wing, No. 8, almost completed, when stricken by sudden illness. He promises it for the future, when able to complete it.

I confined my efforts this year to endeavoring to secure the history of Lodges below No. 20, but I now realize how hard it is to interest the Brothers in preparing such papers, and that in the future we must seek them from every available source.

I earnestly recommend that each Lodge appoint an historian, whose duty it shall be to secure and preserve anything pertaining to the history of his Lodge, and to prepare a paper and have it in readiness when called upon to present it to this Association.

When once preserved in our archives and in the proceedings of the Grand Lodge, though fire may destroy the original records, valuable historical data will be preserved through all time.

MEMBERSHIP.

Up to Jan. 1, 1904, we had elected 510 to active membership; of these 51 have passed on to the Grand Lodge above, leaving 469 at that date.

This gives us an average annual increase of 38 members, with an average revenue of practically \$200.

Out of this we have furnished badges and certificates of membership, printed our proceedings, and furnished reprints of the same to

the Grand Lodge, to be incorporated in their proceedings without expense to the Grand Lodge.

I understand, however, that the Grand Lodge has appropriated \$100 towards printing our proceedings at this session.

With over four thousand Masons eligible to membership in the state, we have received, on a yearly average, less than one to a hundred.

We need sixty or seventy applications each year to meet our necessary expenses, which are kept at the lowest limit.

Certainly we have a right to expect that with our membership, including, as it does, so many of those who have borne the heat and burden of the day, in upholding the tenets of our order in its early struggles and history, that they will be interested in preserving such history, to the extent of securing the few new members needed each year.

Our membership roll reveals the fact that, of the three original Lodges constituting the Grand Lodge, St. John's, No. 1, has furnished 38 members; Cataract, No. 2, 10; and St. Paul, No. 3, 31.

Going down the roll, Hennepin, No. 4, 10, while Ancient Landmark is the banner Lodge, with 60 members; Dakota, No. 7, Fairbault, No. 9, and North Star, No. 23, each 3; Red Wing, No. 8, 8 members; Mantorville, No. 11, 6; Mankato, No. 12, 7; Wapahasa, No. 14, Caledonia, No. 20, each 2; Hokah, No. 17, 7; Winona, No. 18, 5; Minneapolis, No. 19, 27; while Monticello, No. 16, and Pleasant Grove, No. 22, have none to their credit.

It must be noticed that some of the oldest Lodges have furnished the fewest members, although they must have the most eligibles. Now, Brethren, I am not stating these facts in a spirit of criticism, but simply calling your attention to the matter in the hope of awakening your interest.

A little personal effort on the part of our members will bring in all the applications we need. Perhaps I may be pardoned if I relate my personal experience.

Two hundred personal letters, involving days of time, brought in five applications. A comparatively slight effort resulted in sixteen applications from my own Lodge.

The time and energies of the President should not be devoted to securing new members, but to the historical work of the Association, for which it was organized.

Are we going to follow the line indicated by our founder and devote our energies to historical research and the preservation of matters of value to generations to come, or are we to become merely a society whose sole object is a social gathering once a year? If the latter, then we need not concern ourselves particularly about securing new members, for, if we have no historical data to publish, our expenses will be very light.

NECROLOGY.

The grim reaper has invaded our ranks this year, and seven of our Brothers have joined the Choir Invisible.

I wish that it was in my power to pay to them a tribute commensurate with their worth, but the details of their applications are meagre, and repeated letters of inquiry have resulted in but few additional particulars.

This only emphasizes the necessity of making the applications for membership of the Brothers as full and complete as possible, as it is one of the most important functions of this Association to pay a fitting tribute to the memory of our departed Brethren.

On the Pacific Coast, where he had gone in pursuit of health, died, Jan. 7, 1904. Henry L. Williams, an active member, the third to be elected after the charter members of the Association.

He was born in Farmington, Me., Dec. 19, 1837. He came to St. Paul in the late fifties, and engaged in the practice of law. He was a member of the firm of Allis, Gilfillan & Williams, and practiced in the courts of Ramsey County for over forty years. Reverses in business and failing health led him to seek a change of scene, and he went to Chicago, and later to the Pacific Coast. He was active in church work in St. Paul, being a ruling Elder in the House of Hope, from 1874 to 1896; a respected and honorable citizen.

Initiated in Ancient Landmark Lodge in 1868, and later a member of Summit Lodge, No. 163, he was an honor to the Craft and an example to all who knew him.

Joseph E. McWilliams, an active member, passed away at Chicago, Ill., March 8, 1904. He was born in Ramapo, Rockland County, N. Y., Feb. 16, 1845.

Initiated in Ivy Lodge, No. 397, Elmira, N. Y., and raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason June 13, 1867. He later united with Summit Lodge, and was a member of St. Paul Chapter, R. A. M., and Paladin Commandery, No. 21, K. T., and of Osman Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.

He served as a private in Co. "A," 107th N. Y. Vol. Inf., for three years during the Civil War. His church affiliation was Presbyterian. He lived a life of usefulness and honor to himself and the fraternity.

George R. Chipman, an active member, died in Minneapolis, Feb. 5, 1904. He was brought to Masonic light in Goldsboro Lodge, No. 112, Goldsboro, N. C., in 1866. At the time of his death he was a member of Plymouth Lodge, No. 160, Minneapolis, having thrice occupied the Master's chair. He had served as district deputy, and was a Universalist in his religious affiliations.

James Cameron, an honorary member, and President of the Veterans' Association of Scotland, departed this life at Lanarkshire, Hamilton, Scotland, in June, 1904.

He was born at Dumferline, Scotland, July 1, 1854, initiated in Hamilton Lodge, Feb. 5, 1875. He was a member of St. John's Lodge, No. 7, and of Hamilton Chapter, No. 172, R. M. A. He had served as master of Hamilton Lodge, No. 233, Principal Sojourner R. A. C., 172, Senior Deacon in P. G. Lodge, and Treasurer of P. G. Chapter.

He had served as Corporal in the "Queen's Own, Glasgow Yeomanry," and as Parish Councilman. His church affiliation was United Presbyterian.

John S. Bowden was born at Chacewater, England, Feb. 5, 1883. He was made a Mason in Boscowan Lodge, No. 699, Chacewater, Cornwall, England, on April 10, 1871.

He joined Ishpeming Lodge, No. 314, Ishpeming, Mich., by dimit on Nov. 11, 1880, in which Lodge he retained his membership until his death at Ely, Minn., Oct. 12, 1904.

William S. Dedon, an active member, was born in Sweden, April 17, 1844. Raised a Master Mason Sept. 18, 1870, in Zion Lodge, No. 55. He died at Taylors Falls Nov. 28, 1904.

He was a member of Co. "C," 7th Minn. Vol. Inf., and served three years in the Civil War. Elected State Senator for the 44th district in 1890.

Jacob Armiel Kiester, an honorary member, and the fifteenth Grand Master of Minnesota Masons, died at Blue Earth City Dec. 13, 1904, in his seventy-third year.

His was a life of more than ordinary activity and influence, a full account of which is set forth in the magnificent historical paper of P. M. George Reuben Metcalf in the proceedings of 1903, page 86.

The Secretary and Treasurer read their annual reports, as follows:

REPORTS OF SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

The report of the Secretary for 1903 was submitted as follows:

Active members Jan. 1, 1904.....	419
Added during the year.....	31
	450
Died during the year.....	6
Active members Jan. 1, 1905.....	444

Honorary members Jan. 1, 1904.....	23	
Added during the year.....	2	
		25
Died during the year.....		2
Honorary members Jan. 1, 1905.....		23
Total membership Jan. 1, 1905.....		467
Receipts for the year 1904 have been—		
Fees from thirty-four petitioners, at \$5.....		\$170.00
Balance from banquet, 1904.....		2.00
Sale of one badge to replace loss.....		1.75
Balance on hand at last report.....		10.17
		\$183.92
Eleven orders drawn (Nos. 109 to 119).....		150.20
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1905.....		\$33.72
Amount due Bro. G. R. Metcalf for cash advanced for printing 1903 proceedings.....		68.23
Deficit Jan. 1, 1905.....		\$34.51
The Treasurer's report showed—		
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1904.....		\$10.17
Received during the year.....		173.75
Total		\$183.92
Disbursements (Warrants 110 to 119).....		150.20
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1904.....		\$33.72

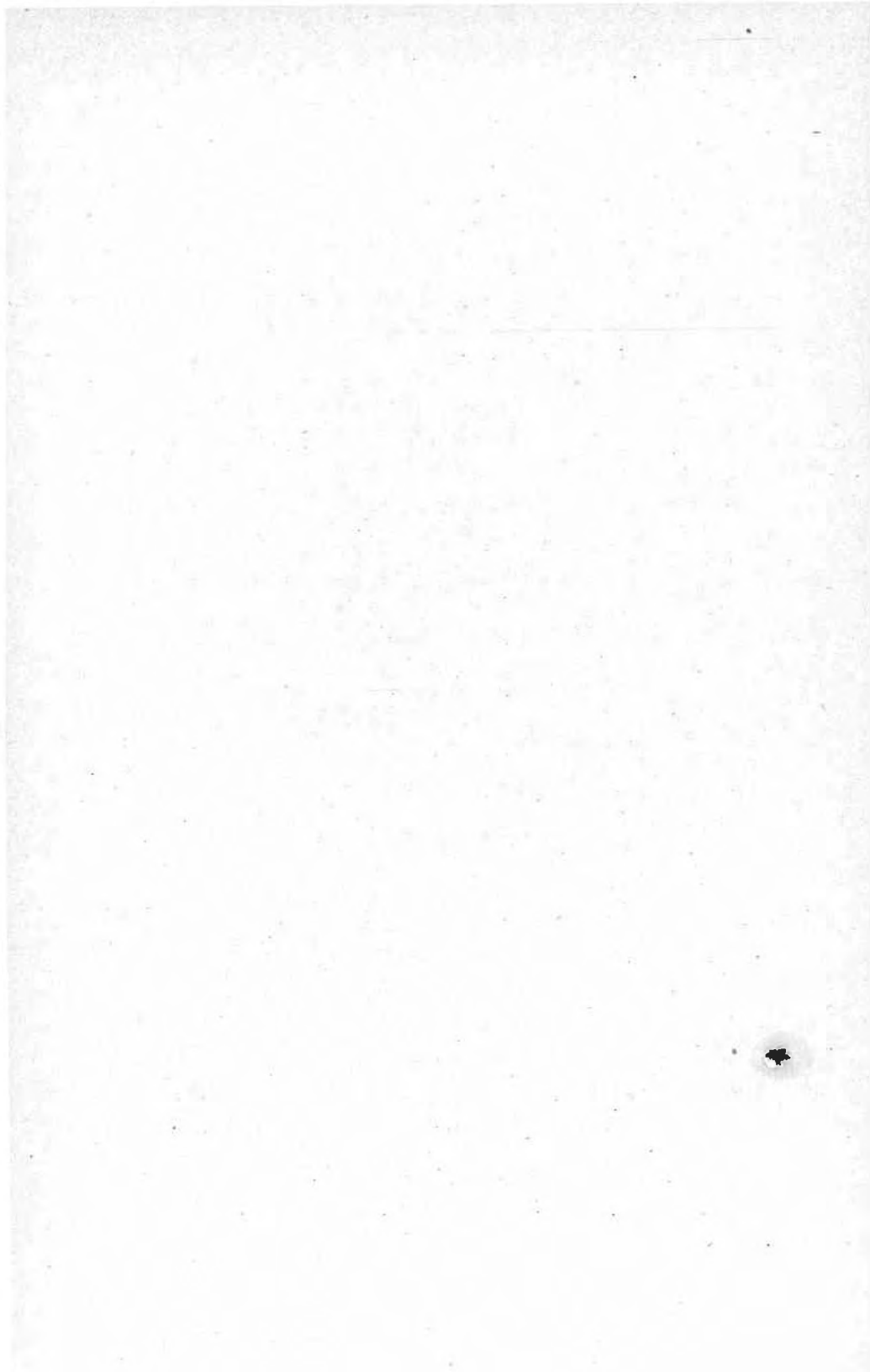
These reports, having been placed in the hands of the Auditing Committee, Wm. P. Roberts, Thomas Montgomery and Andrew P. Swanstrom, they reported them correct.

Bro. And. P. Swanstrom offered the following resolution:

Amend Section 1 of Article IV. by striking out the words "resident within the boundaries of the State of Minnesota," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "residing within any state where there is no Masonic Veterans' Association."

Laid over until next annual meeting.

Bro. Durant moved that the indebtedness of the Association to Bro. Metcalf be paid. Motion carried. Bro. Wells moved that a committee, consisting of Secretary and Bro. Wm. P. Murray, be requested to prepare a brief memorial of Mrs. E. T. Pierson, to be printed in our Proceedings.





MRS. ELEANOR C. PIERSON.

Bills from Easton & Masterman for printing (\$30.25) and from Meyer & Perkins for 100 certificates (\$7.50) were ordered paid. Warrants in addition were ordered drawn in favor of Thos. Race (\$12) for engrossing certificates, and G. W. Merrill (\$10) for postage, and for payment of indebtedness to Bro. Geo. R. Metcalf.

Motion made and carried that Secretary be requested to notify the membership in case of the death of a member when known in time. Proceeded to election of officers, resulting as follows:

- Bro. Thomas C. Clark, President.
- Bro. William Pitt Murray, First Vice President.
- Bro. John W. Eddy, Second Vice President.
- Bro. Israel B. B. Sprague, Treasurer.
- Bro. Giles W. Merrill, Secretary.
- Bro. Sheldon L. Frazer, Marshal.
- Bro. George H. Davis appointed Chaplain.

Bro. Henry R. Wells offered a resolution that a committee, consisting of Bros. Wm. P. Murray and Giles W. Merrill, be appointed to prepare a brief memorial of the late Mrs. Eleanor C. Pierson. Adopted.

Your committee take pleasure in submitting this brief memorial of an ideal woman—one so highly esteemed, and so greatly beloved by the Masonic fraternity of Minnesota.

WILLIAM P. MURRAY,
GILES W. MERRILL.

IN MEMORIAM.

ELEANOR C. BERRIEN was born on the 29th day of May, 1819. Her girlhood days were spent like other young girls of that day. She was married at Long Island, on the 19th of October, 1835, to Bro. A. T. C. Pierson, who afterward became so prominent in the Masonic history of Minnesota as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, and as Secretary thereof for many years. Brother Pierson came to Minnesota in 1850, locating at the Winnebago agency, now Long Prairie. Mrs. Pierson came two years later on, when Minnesota was but a wilderness. She at once adapted herself to a frontier life. Some time afterward they removed to St. Paul, where her husband became prominent as the leading and first Mason in the state. It was there that she gave evidence of her love and affection for the Masonic fraternity. Much of her time was given to the manufacture of Blue and Grand Lodge regalia, without hope of fee or expectation of reward, solely through her love of the Order. At one of the Grand Lodge convocations the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of Minnesota presents its fraternal thanks to Mrs. Pierson, wife of the M. W. Grand Master, for the skill, labor and beauty with which she has adorned the Grand Lodge regalia."

One of the mementos which she prized above all others was the jewel presented by the Masonic Veteran Association, the first year of its organization, on which were inscribed the words, "With the best wishes and loving remembrance of the Masonic Veteran Association of the State of Minnesota."

Mrs. Pierson died in St. Paul on the 25th day of September, 1904, and was laid away to rest in Oakland by brethren of the Order.

Eleanor C. Pierson was a good woman. It were enough to stop right here, for higher praise could not be spoken. Greatness and riches pale before that simple quality—goodness. Character only rings true that meets that test. Wisdom is not unaccompanied sometimes with colossal meanness, and wealth is not seldom associated with hardness of heart. Wisdom and wealth and goodness make a heaven-born trinity, but the greatest of these is goodness. It is not what a woman has, nor how much she knows, nor who were her ancestors, but what she is that tells; and, judged by that old test, Eleanor C. Pierson was not found wanting. She loved the old-time places and the old-time friends with all her heart. Her religion was to do good; her creed to help those who needed help. She scattered flowers all along life's pathway. She was unselfish, thoughtful, kind, a true friend, a loving mother and a devoted wife. The Masonic Veteran Association of the State of Minnesota, in grateful appreciation of her work and love for the Order, and her private worth, directs that this memorial be recorded in its proceedings, and a copy thereof transmitted to the daughters of the deceased.

The business of the session being finished the members of the Association to the number of 135 repaired to the banquet room, and devoted themselves to the services and gastronomic pleasures appropriate to that place and occasion.

The post-prandial exercises were inaugurated by the stated toast, "The Most Worshipful, the Grand Lodge of Minnesota," which was responded to by P. G. Master Edward W. Durant of Stillwater, as follows:

THE GRAND LODGE OF MINNESOTA, OUR IMPRESSIONS.

ST. PAUL, MINN., Jan. 17, 1905.

Mr. President and Brethren of the Veteran Masonic Association of the Grand Jurisdiction of Minnesota:

The sentiment I am called upon to respond to, viz., The Grand Lodge of Minnesota, is an off-told tale, beginning with the organiza-

tion of our Association, concluding with its last session. The subject has been treated from almost, if not quite, every standpoint within reach of the able Brethren who have addressed you. The addresses you have listened to have been replete as to the history of our Grand Lodge and Masonry as well.

It is but natural that we should all look and feel alike as to the importance of our Grand Lodge. Each one of you present can and always will remember your first entrance to our own or any Grand Lodge of your knowledge and obedience. On your admittance you felt that you had again taken a step up in Masonry. You were all attention to all that took place. It was but the same you had witnessed and taken part in in your own Lodge, yet it seemed to have a difference far more important in each particular. Even the announcement of the Brother Tyler, that the duty required of him had been performed, appeared to be an important announcement. How carefully you noted the queries and responses between the Grand Junior and Senior Wardens and the Grand Master. The Grand Senior and Junior Wardens' stations seemed far above the same stations in our home Lodge, and when the Grand Master arose in the East and announced that The Most Worshipful, the Grand Lodge of Minnesota (or perchance it may have been to some of you another Grand Lodge) was opened in ample form, there seemed to come over you a mental vision enabling you to view Masonry in a brighter and broader light, a new understanding of the beauties and importance of Masonry was unfolded, and that scroll you will always bear witness to. Then, as matters came up for discussion, questions of interest affecting Masonry in general, and, possibly the particular interest of some subordinate Lodge, you felt that you were in a theatre of debate governed by strict parliamentary usage, coupled with a thorough knowledge and mastery of Masonic law. It mattered not how heated the debate, Masonic courtesy presided and prevailed. Possibly, for the first time in your Masonic career, you freely realized that all upon that floor delighted in and were governed by the emblem on the Grand Master's apron.

How intently you listened to the Grand Master's address reviewing his Masonic duties during his term of office, giving to the representatives of subordinate Lodges constituting the Grand Lodge a resume of work performed, the condition of the Lodges in his jurisdiction, dispensations granted, decisions rendered, suggestions for the consideration of the Brethren; the subdivision of the address to the proper committees, then the reception of resolutions pertaining to the needs of Lodges or petitioning for the assistance of a worthy Brother or a family in distress. In this latter you may have for your Lodge a deep interest; possibly, for instance, your Lodge may be weak financially, and yourself and Brethren may feel that you have complied with the requirements of your obligation to your

utmost, and have appealed to the Grand Lodge for assistance in a cause that should call for recognition. The subject is called up, you rise to speak and present the situation as strongly as your capability will admit. As you regain your seat, feeling that you have not presented your case clearly or strongly as it should be, another member of the Grand Lodge takes the floor, and with a forcible argument emphasizes what you have said, and calls up the Grand Lodge to adopt the resolution. But a moment passes, the Grand Lodge has granted your application; then with you the Grand Lodge stands forth in your estimation in a new light and worthy of all praise. You say to yourself that this is fraternal, this is true charity. You inquire, "Who was the Brother who spoke in favor of my resolution?" You are impatient to shake hands and thank him. He will say, "Do not thank me. This Grand Lodge understands Masonic duty." The action taken in your matter is not without precedent, as you will understand before we close. But you have accomplished something for your Lodge, something of the broadest charity, and the feeling of satisfaction with which you will be greeted on your return to those you represent is constantly in your mind, and the Grand Lodge grows in your estimation.

Again, when the committees are announced, the manner and words in which you placed your application before the Grand Lodge may have resulted in placing you on an important committee, it may be appeals and grievances. The performance of this duty will open up to you a new phase of Masonry, also a new and large circle of acquaintances in the Grand Lodge by the time you complete the task assigned you and your committee is ready to report. The timid feeling incidental to all of us in attending for the first time a session of the Grand Lodge will have disappeared, and you are then ready to begin to fraternize with whomsoever you may meet.

By this time the election of officers will be the chief subject of conversation. Inquiries will be made of you as to your choice. Then again you will take on a new pride. You are to exercise your judgment in selecting a Grand Master with subordinate officers of the Grand Lodge. Of course, your admiration of the officers now holding positions is unbounded, and you would like to continue them in office. However, as you cast about, you find there are others; then your mind becomes confused. By and by a well meaning Brother will hand you a slip containing names to be voted for. You look over the list and find the names of some of the Brethren now in East, West and South are not on the memorandum, and, of course, you inquire why. "Oh," the reply is, "we must consider localities in making our selection." Then you are at sea without compass or rudder. The result is you vote just about as the little slip containing a name suggests. The election is over, some of the old officers are re-elected, some stations have new officers; then follows the installation.

The Grand Master is escorted to the Grand East, and accorded the honors due to him, and the high position to which the Brethren have called him. After a few remarks the Grand Master arises and announces his appointments. You hear your name mentioned; your mind is too confused to understand just what it is for. Soon the Grand Marshal is instructed to present the appointees for installation. As the installation progresses, the Grand Marshal conducts you to the Grand East, and you are duly installed as Grand Pursuivant. As you are invested with the insignia of your office, your heart is too full for utterance. You came to the Grand Lodge as Worshipful Master of your Lodge, the highest honor your Brethren could pay you. Now you have in your estimation taken another step up in Masonry. You are a Grand Lodge officer, Grand Pursuivant. Then, indeed, does the grandeur of the Grand Lodge fill your entire being with wonder, admiration and joy. Now you are indeed happy, most happy, so happy that you have a delicacy of feeling about accepting your mileage and per diem. On your return home you are congratulated. At the next meeting of your Lodge, when the proper time arrives, the Lodge is called from labor to refreshment, and genuine refreshment it is. After a brief time, the Junior Warden announces that he has a pleasant duty to perform, and presents to you a beautifully engrossed set of resolutions, commending you for your zeal in Masonry in general, and to your Lodge in particular, and, advancing to the head of the table, fastens upon your breast a beautiful Masonic emblem. Thus you are still advancing.

Your position again sends you as its representative, when quite likely the satisfactory manner in which you have acquitted yourself in the performance of the duties incumbent upon you, as Grand Pursuivant, you are appointed Grand Junior Deacon. By this time you are getting ambitious, getting around among the Brethren, who are beginning to think you are a good fellow. You do not lose an opportunity to make them think so, and you await the next session of the Grand Lodge with anxiety. When it opens, your Senior and Junior Wardens are there, and not idle. In season and out of season they sing your praises.

The election takes place, you are elected Grand Junior Warden. Now all diffidence disappears. An opportunity offers. The time is auspicious. A question comes up before the Grand Lodge at the appropriate time. The Grand Junior Warden arises to speak on the question. Feeling that his position is well taken, and that he is thoroughly equipped, he makes the speech that tells. The Grand Lodge is convinced. His view of the question is adopted by the Grand Lodge, and your Masonic future is assured. You are rapidly approaching the Grand East.

When the Grand Master announces that the Most Worshipful, the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, stands closed in ample form, you

are Deputy Grand Master. During the ensuing year you may quite likely be called by the Grand Master to perform some of the duties pertaining to his position as Grand Master. Thus you may officiate at the laying of a corner stone, institute a new Lodge, officiate at the last resting place of a Brother.

Judging of the past, you will still be laying the foundation of future advancement. The year rolls by. At the Grand Lodge opening you are Deputy Grand Master. When the closing hour arrives, as Grand Master, you will announce to the Brethren that the Most Worshipful, the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, is closed in ample form.

The first historical paper was prepared and read by Bro. William H. Harries of Caledonia, on Caledonia Lodge, No. 20, as follows:

CALEDONIA LODGE, NO. 20, A. F. AND A. M.

BY BRO. W. H. HARRIES.

When I was recently requested by Bro. Thomas C. Clark, President of the Masonic Veteran Association, to write a sketch of this Lodge, I hesitated for two reasons; one was that I doubted my ability to do the work satisfactorily, and the other was that I might not find the time to do it. However, I have found sufficient time to give something of an account of the early history of the Lodge, and I crave your kind indulgence in the effort to rescue from oblivion the early incidents of one of the pioneer lodges of the State of Minnesota.

Bro. Eugene Marshall, now a resident of Manchester, Tenn., and who was one of the first members of the Lodge, writes me that Caledonia Lodge U. D. was organized, and held its meetings in a room over the north end of Bro. Ara D. Sprague's store building, which stood on the present site of the brick building now occupied by the Bank of Caledonia.

The room was twenty-four feet square, with two small rooms at the south end. The west room of these two had no connection with the other, and had only one door which opened into the Lodge room. The west room opened into the Lodge room, and had a door communicating with the head of the stairs, the stairway opening into the street at the southwest corner of the building. His recollection is that the east, south and west were in the first instance located in accordance with the points of the compass; but that afterwards Grand Master Pierson suggested or directed a change by placing the chair of the Worshipful Master in the north end of the room.

Bro. Marshall further writes that at that early day there was much more curiosity and speculation amongst the "profane" as to what the

Masons were and what they did than there is now. There were many amongst the foreign born population who believed that at every convocation of Masons some person was killed and buried. I recollect that at one of our meetings a person who was particularly curious and active in his researches after Masonic light in a surreptitious way penetrated to the ante-room before the opening of the Lodge. His coming had been heralded, and quite casually the door of the Lodge room was opened on a scene of pre-arranged confusion, but being suddenly closed again, the principal thing which he observed was Bro. R. S. Williams in a frenzied state of excitement careering about the room at his utmost speed and attacking every one he could overtake, as if he intended to annihilate them. This was so much at variance with the usual habits and manners of Bro. Williams that the incident afforded ground for much outside gossip. Bro. Sam McPhaill and myself occupied the room at the head of the stairs as an office and lounging room, and it was a common occurrence for persons to ask to be admitted to the Lodge room, and we seldom or never denied them. Once we had the room arranged with a very tall packing box without a cover set on end in the opposite side of the room from the J. W. station, and over the top of this hung a large rope with an unmistakable slip-noose at the end. I recollect that the resemblance of the box to a coffin with the added significance of the noosed halter made a visible impression on our visitors. On another occasion Marshall Willard, a younger brother of "Old Hank," asked to see the room, and at that time there were in it several small packing boxes which had been used for seats (chairs not being too plentiful at that date). After a general survey of the room, the young man examined all these boxes, one after another, as if he were in search of something, but, finding them all empty, he opened the stove and made a thorough search in the ashes, but found nothing. I asked him what he was looking for, and he said he wanted to see the "Grid-iron" with which Masons were branded. As he did not find it, he concluded that the last victim had sprung up so suddenly that the iron had stuck to him as he rushed out of the room, and in this way was lost.

At one of the meetings when Grand Master Pierson was present with several Brethren from La Crescent, amongst whom was one of gigantic proportions and great weight, I have forgotten the name. The Grand Master was conferring the second degree, and I was acting as S. D. In the midst of the obligation this overgrown Brother who was standing near me was overcome with vertigo or some other affliction, and without warning fell like a log upon me; I in turn fell upon the candidate, the great lights and the lesser lights were overturned, and we were in a very promiscuous heap in the middle of the room. No one was hurt, order was soon restored and the afflicted Brother regained his usual condition of health before the Lodge closed.

On one occasion in preparing a candidate for initiation, he caught sight of the cable which in this instance was a three-fourths inch manila rope. The sight of this was too much for his nerves, and he asked to be excused from further progress, and it took a long time to steady his nerves and bring him to the conclusion that he might safely proceed. The same person, when the secrets of a Master Mason were demanded of him, broke down, and, giving the D. G. of that degree, asked if that was what was wanted. Observation and experience have convinced me that this candidate should have been excused from the first. Masonry has no use for weaklings.

At that early day visitors from Hokah often came—Bros. Ed. and Clark Thompson, Jim Wertz, J. G. Prentiss and others. Whether it was the enthusiasm of youth, the social recreation or the love for the institution of Masonry, I cannot decide, but I feel certain that we one and all sacrificed more time and invested more effort in the institution than is common now.

The Lodge held its first meeting as a Lodge U. D. on Friday evening, Oct. 2, A. D. 1857. There were present:

Bro. W. B. Burfield, as W. M.

Bro. W. F. Dunbar, as S. W.

Bro. R. S. Williams, as J. W.

and Bros. Sam. McPhail, A. D. Sprague, W. W. Willis and visiting Brothers James Hiner and Eugene Marshall from Hokah Lodge, No. 17. The Lodge opened on the third degree for the transaction of business, and a petition for the degrees, signed by W. D. Gibbs, was presented and referred to a committee. The By-Laws of Hokah Lodge, No. 17, were adopted for the government of the Lodge temporarily, and then the Lodge closed, peace and harmony prevailing.

Bro. W. B. Burfield, who was the first Worshipful Master, and so designated in the charter, is still alive and a resident of Houston County, Minn. He was born in Summerhill, Crawford County, Pa., on the 7th day of November, 1826. He was made a Mason in Eureka Lodge, No. 69, at Camden Mills, Ill., in 1852, and was elected Worshipful Master of this Lodge. He came to Minnesota in 1854, and settled on a farm now owned by Bro. A. D. Sprague.

He was a charter member of Hokah Lodge, No. 17, and was also a charter member of Mystic Circle Lodge, No. 78, at Houston, Minn. During the later period of the Civil War he entered the Union Army, and served until the close of the struggle.

He is the father of fourteen children. The Brother who obtained the foregoing facts reported to the Lodge that he would be negligent of duty if he failed to pay a tribute to the personal worth of our Brother, who, in all the relations of life, has ever walked among us as a just and upright Mason. More than this we need not say, nor would he ask higher praise. As a Mason, a citizen, a husband, father, brother, friend or neighbor, he has never been found wanting.

Last and greatest of all, we declare him the noblest work of God, an honest man.

At the next meeting, Nov. 17, 1857, the first degree was duly conferred on W. D. Gibbs.

"The ancient rites and regulations
The passwords, the grips and signals
Used among the pristine brothers,
By this mystic organization,
This fraternal order,
Received its truthful teachings,
Its principles of virtue,
Its simple traditions."

Bro. Hiner was authorized to procure a stove and fit up the Lodge room, and at the meeting held Dec. 15, 1857, the Tyler was instructed to procure a pair of snuffers. This was in the days of tall candles, and something of the kind was necessary to take off the burnt candle wick.

At the first election of the Lodge, on Jan. 21, 1858, the following officers were elected:

Bro. R. S. Williams, Worshipful Master.

Bro. W. B. Burfield, Senior Warden.

Bro. J. J. Belden, Junior Warden.

Bro. W. D. Gibbs, Secretary.

Bro. A. D. Sprague, Treasurer.

Bro. S. McPhaill, Senior Deacon,

and were duly installed by Bro. C. W. Thompson, Worshipful Master of Hokah Lodge, No. 17.

At a meeting held on March 19, 1858, it was on motion decided to procure curtains for windows at the north end of Lodge room and benches for seats.

On May 7, 1858, the Lodge allowed to Bros. S. McPhaill and others the several amounts they had advanced to procure dispensation to open a Lodge at Caledonia.

At a meeting held Sept. 10, 1858, there was present the M. W. G. M. A. T. C. Pierson.

On Oct. 1, 1858, on motion of Brother Marshall, the Worshipful Master was invited to deliver a lecture before the Lodge at his earliest convenience on the duties of Masons towards each other.

On Feb. 4, 1859, the minutes of the meeting say that Bros. Gibbs and Sprague were appointed a committee to instruct the Tyler to procure some wood and wash the clothing of the Lodge. There is nothing to show how or by whom the washing was done, but a few meetings thereafter the Tyler was directed to procure more aprons.

Aug. 12, 1859, Bro. Willis waived his right to open the Lodge, the Worshipful Master being absent, in favor of Bro. Kennedy, the Worshipful Master of the La Crescent Lodge.

May 1, 1860, was a sad day for the Lodge. The Worshipful Master, Bro. R. S. Williams, was buried, with the usual ceremonies, Brethren from the Lodges at La Crescent and La Crosse being present.

The Lodge continued to hold its meetings over Bro. Sprague's store until 1862 or 1863 during the Civil War. At this period a number of the members of the Lodge, having entered the army as soldiers, and the Lodge becoming weak in the number of its members, it was decided to hold its meetings at T. W. Burns' hotel, known as the "Fairview House," about two and one-half miles west of town, the proprietor of which had petitioned the Lodge for the degrees, and the fees of the same could be applied on the rent. This was done.

There were two trials in the Lodge for unmasonic conduct. In both the accused were convicted, and the parties were indefinitely suspended, but in each case the sentence was afterwards vacated, and the Brethren restored to all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

During the entire existence of the Lodge it never closed its meetings without "peace and harmony prevailing," but through its whole career there appears, from time to time, a discordant note, growing out of the failure by some of the Brethren to pay Lodge dues. If this matter of dues could in some way be overcome, or placed where it would not bother a Brother, it would be a boon to every Lodge. Possibly, if the fees for the several degrees could be doubled and the Brethren thereafter exempted from further dues, except such voluntary contributions as might be found necessary to aid in cases of emergency, it would solve the difficulty.

In July, 1871, the Lodge secured Bro. Robert Morris to deliver a lecture. After the lecture the degree of Eastern Star was conferred on a number of the wives and daughters of the Brethren, and a social time was had.

At a meeting of the Lodge in August, 1878, a liberal donation was made to aid our stricken Brethren in the South, who were suffering from the yellow fever scourge, so that the "echo of a Mason's footsteps might be heard by the bedside of suffering and want."

The following list will give the names of the Worshipful Masters of the Lodge and the dates of their service, respectively:

- Bro. W. B. Burfield, from Oct. 2, 1857, to Jan. 21, 1858;
- " R. S. Williams, from Jan. 21, 1858, to Jan. 17, 1859;
- " W. B. Burfield, from June 17, 1859, to June 1, 1860;
- " W. W. Willis, from June 1, 1860, to June 21, 1861;
- " Eugene Marshall, from June 21, 1861, to June 24, 1862;
- " James Hiner, from June 24, 1862, to June 24, 1863;
- " W. W. Willis, from June 24, 1863, to June 17, 1864;
- " Chas. A. Coe, from June 17, 1864, to June 24, 1865;
- " D. N. Gates, from June 24, 1865, to June 24, 1870;

- Bro. Chas. A. Coe, from June 24, 1870, to June 24, 1871;
 " W. H. Harries, from June 24, 1871, to Dec. 27, 1876;
 " G. L. Gates, from Dec. 27, 1876, to Dec. 26, 1879;
 " Chas. A. Coe, from Dec. 26, 1879, to Dec. 27, 1880;
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 " M. Emery, from Dec. 23, 1891, to Dec. 27, 1893;
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 " O. K. Dahle, from Dec. 26, 1904, to ———.

The Lodge, after the close of the Civil War, came back to town, and held its meetings over the store of Bro. McGuinness, on the corner of Main and Marshall streets. This building was destroyed by fire, then the meetings were held in the old Court House, then over the store of Bro. Dorival; subsequently in the Caledonia Academy building, then in a building on Kingston street, which was situated north of the old frame bank building, then back to the academy again, and then in a building on Kingston street, and now the Lodge has commodious rooms in the brick building of Bro. Sprague, on the corner of Main and Kingston streets, where it was first organized, but in much finer and pleasanter quarters.

Total membership since organization.....	158
Number withdrawn	61
Number died	16
Number stricken from rolls.....	20
Present number of members.....	61
	——— 158

There were no weaklings among the men who first organized the Lodge at Caledonia. They were stalwart, hardy, brave pioneers. The men who settled in the Territory of Minnesota were splendid types of manhood. The very fact that they came out into a new and unsettled country is an evidence of resolute courage and energy, which is a prerequisite to good citizenship and upright Masonic life.

The second historical paper was prepared and read by Bro. John C. Munro of St. Cloud, on North Star Lodge, No. 23, as follows:

HISTORICAL SKETCH NORTH STAR LODGE, NO. 23, A. F. AND A. M., ST. CLOUD, MINN.

In order to make clear the events as they occurred in the early history of North Star Lodge, it seems best, by way of introduction, to review briefly the history of St. Cloud Lodge, No. 15.

On Nov. 1, 1856, a dispensation was granted by Most Worshipful Grand Master A. T. C. Pierson, for a Lodge at St. Cloud, Stearns County, Minn., to be known as St. Cloud Lodge, U. D., to James M. Lackey, H. G. Kilbourne, T. C. Alden, F. Sisson, W. A. Carruthers, Geo. W. Cutler, Seth Fielding and Thomas E. Inman. The Lodge was chartered Jan. 6, 1857, as St. Cloud Lodge, No. 15.

The preliminary meetings of the Brethren were held in the second story of the store building of Bro. Marlatt, situated on the corner of Fifth avenue and Third street south. The Lodge procured quarters in the building known as Stoakes' warehouse, then situated on what was known as the upper levee, which quarters they continued to occupy until the charter was surrendered.

Very little is known of the history of this Lodge, save what can be gathered from the very meagre reports still in existence. From these we learn that fifteen were initiated, eight passed and eight raised. The Lodge seems never to have been represented in the Grand Lodge, nor were they ever credited with Grand Lodge dues. The charter and books were surrendered to the Grand Secretary, in 1860. From the proceedings of Grand Lodge, October, 1858, we learn that the following were the officers:

Worshipful Master—Thos. C. Alden,
Senior Warden—John H. Taylor,
Junior Warden—Thos. E. Inman,
Treasurer—Franklin Sisson,
Secretary—H. G. Kilbourne,
Senior Deacon—Jas. M. Lackey,
Junior Deacon—Seth Fielding,
Tyler—W. A. Caruthers.

In searching for a reason for the downfall of the Lodge, two very important matters are forced upon our notice. First, the panic of 1857 was felt in St. Cloud as perhaps in few towns of the Northwest. Second, many of the leading citizens of St. Cloud, and at least several members of the Lodge, were of Southern birth, and were strong pro-slavery men. Another faction, just as strong, were intense abolitionists; hence political feeling ran very high, and divided those who should have been pulling together. The fact that James M. Lackey was a man of strong Southern proclivities may, and does to the minds of many, account for his sudden disappearance, and relieve his memory of much of the odium that has been attached to it.

After the surrender of its charter a number of the leading members of St. Cloud Lodge, No. 15, affiliated with North Star Lodge, No. 23, then located at Watab. This leads up to our subject, the history of North Star Lodge, No. 23.

In the year 1857 there resided in the village of Watab and immediate vicinity a number of active and zealous Masons, who, as one of them says, "were all young Masons from the East and South, and filled to overflowing with Masonic zeal. Having gotten by legitimate means certain mysteries, which we verily believed to be God's truth, we were naturally anxious to communicate them to others in the same legitimate way. Hence, our desire to organize and be prepared to give others the benefit of our vast knowledge."

At this time Watab was the county seat of Benton County (see Territorial enactments, Sec. 6, Chap. 38), a village of about fifty souls, situated on the east bank of the Mississippi river, about eight miles above St. Cloud. It was a regular stopping place for the stage line, running north and northwest from St. Paul, hence two hotels, the blacksmith shop and the general store did a lively business. In addition to these establishments was a steam saw mill, which furnished lumber to the surrounding country, and the old log court house, which is of chief interest to us as furnishing the first meeting place for our Masonic Brethren. The preliminary meetings of the Brethren were held in the office of the Register of Deeds, Bro. Tayler Dudley.

The petition for the dispensation was signed by: 1, Martin G. Smith; 2, R. C. Burdick; 3, James K. Miller; 4, David Gilman; 5, Tayler Dudley; 6, Peter A. Grant; 7, Henry Hillman; 8, Geo. Bunting; 9, D. J. Boyington, the first three named being appointed as Worshipful Master, Senior and Junior Wardens, respectively.

The name of "North Star" was chosen because at that time the Lodge was farthest north, not only in the state, but in the United States. It is of interest to note that this was nearly a year previous to the adoption of "North Star" by the state.

The petition for the dispensation has disappeared, but the dispensation itself is on file in the Grand Secretary's office. The dispensation was dated at St. Paul, Oct. 25, 1857.

Previous to the forwarding of the petition for a dispensation, a second story was added to the store building of R. C. Burdick, and fitted up expressly for a Lodge room, with deadened floors, etc., and was, it is said, a very comfortable and convenient Lodge room. The Lodge continued to hold its meetings in this building until its removal to St. Cloud (nearly four years). This building was moved to Sauk Rapids about 1870, and was destroyed by the cyclone of 1886.

The first communication under the dispensation was held Saturday evening, Oct. 31, 1857, with the following officers:

Martin G. Smith, Worshipful Master;
R. C. Burdick, Senior Warden;
J. K. Miller, Junior Warden;
Tayler Dudley, Secretary;
Peter A. Grant, Senior Deacon;
D. J. Boyington, Junior Deacon;
Bernham Hanson, Tyler.

The petition of Bro. B. Hanson, a Fellow Craft, for the third degree, was received at this communication.

On Nov. 14, 1857, at the regular communication, held this date, the Lodge had the honor of receiving a visit from the Most Worshipful Grand Master, A. T. C. Pierson, accompanied by Bro. Anson Northrup and Maj. Cullen, and, strange as it may seem to us at this day, the Most Worshipful Grand Master acted as Junior Deacon. The petition of A. W. Libby, for degrees, was received, and Bro. B. Hanson was raised to the third degree. It will thus be seen that the first petition received by the Lodge was that of Bro. B. Hanson, a Fellow Craft, to receive the third degree, and the first work done was the conferring of the third degree upon Bro. Hanson. The fact that Bro. Hanson acted as Tyler at the first communication is explained by another fact, that at this time, and for some time after, the routine business of the Lodge was transacted while open upon the first degree. It was also the custom for all candidates to make formal application (to be balloted upon) for each degree in turn, as also for membership after degrees had been conferred.

At the communication of Nov. 28, 1857, the fees for the degrees were fixed as follows: 1, with petition, \$5; 2, E. P., \$5; 3, F. C., \$7.50; 4, M. M., \$7.50; 5, affiliation, \$3; 6, quarterly dues, \$1.

At the communication, held Dec. 12, 1857, the petition of Mr. Wm. H. Harrison, for degrees, was presented and referred. This petitioner is said to have been nearly a full-blood Winnebago Indian, but Brethren now living, who knew him well, say that he was a very intelligent and well educated man. He was a clerk in the store of Bro. Burdick; afterwards removed to Blue Earth Reservation, where he ran a store, and afterwards died.

A charter was issued to North Star Lodge, on Jan. 8, 1858, and bears the following signatures: A. T. C. Pierson, Grand Master; W. H. Mower, Deputy Grand Master; E. K. Hodson, Senior Grand Warden; Wm. Lee, Junior Grand Warden; Geo. W. Prescott, Grand Secretary; also gives the names of Martin G. Smith, Worshipful Master; R. C. Burdick, Senior Warden, and James K. Miller, Junior Warden. This charter is still in the possession of the Lodge, and, though showing signs of age, is still in excellent state of preservation.

On Saturday, Jan. 16, 1858, the first communication under the charter, Worshipful Bro. James M. Lackey, Worshipful Master

of St. Cloud Lodge, No. 15, representing the Grand Master, duly constituted North Star Lodge, and installed the officers. In addition to those named in the charter, the officers were as follows:

Treasurer—David Gilman,
Secretary—Tayler Dudley,
Senior Deacon—Peter A. Grant,
Junior Deacon—Burnham Hanson,
Tyler—Henry Hillman.

On Jan. 23, 1858, a committee was appointed to draft a code of By-Laws, which committee reported on January 27th. The By-Laws were adopted and ordered sent to the Grand Master for his approval. These By-Laws are still in existence, and with some modifications are in operation to-day.

This brief history would be sadly lacking were we to leave out the personal records of these hardy pioneers.

Martin G. Smith was born in Franklin, N. Y., January, 1824; moved to Joliet, Ill., in 1840, and was made a Mason in Mount Joliet Lodge, No. 24, in December, 1855. He came to Minnesota in 1856, and settled near Watab. As has been recorded, he became the first Master of "North Star" Lodge, and continued as such until 1859. Before this latter date he had removed to Clearwater, twenty miles to the south. On Dec. 10, 1859, he withdrew from North Star Lodge and affiliated with Clearwater Lodge, No. 28. In 1862 he returned to Franklin, N. Y., where he died in 1865.

In 1858, while serving as Master of the Lodge, Bro. Smith made a trip to Chicago (traveling by ox team from Joliet, Ill., to Chicago, and thence to Prairie Du Chien). He made the trip for the purpose of securing furnishings for the Lodge room, and jewels for the officers. These jewels are still worn by the officers of North Star Lodge.

R. C. Burdick was born in Kalamazoo, Mich., July 17, 1834; settled at Watab in October, 1850; was made a Mason in Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 5, St. Paul, Minn., January, 1856; was first Senior Warden and second Master of North Star Lodge. He withdrew from the Lodge June 8, 1874, and subsequently affiliated with Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 5, St. Paul. He died in St. Paul, Minn., October, 1902.

James A. Miller was born in New Brunswick, Canada, in 1832; came to the United States in 1852, locating at Calais, Me.; was made a Mason in St. Croix Lodge, No. 46, Calais, Me., in 1856; came to Minnesota in June, 1857, locating at Watab. He was the first Junior Warden of North Star Lodge; elected Senior Warden in 1859 and Worshipful Master in 1860. Bro. Miller is still a member of the Lodge, and resides on his farm near Watab, Minn.

David Gilman was born in Saratoga County, New York, April 29, 1812; came to Minnesota in 1848, and located at Watab, where

he resided until the date of his death, May 9, 1885. He was made a Mason in St. Cloud Lodge, No. 15, in April, 1857, and withdrew to become a charter member of North Star Lodge. Bro. Gilman was a man of large interests in public affairs, and was rewarded by election to many positions of trust and honor.

Taylor Dudley was born in Fleming County, Kentucky, in 1807; was made a Mason in Fleming Lodge, No. 112, May 22, 1847; became a charter member of and served North Star Lodge as its first Secretary; withdrew from the Lodge April 14, 1860, and returned to Kentucky, where he died in 1890.

Peter A. Grant was born in the State of New York in 1834; was made a Mason in Mount Joliet Lodge, No. 24, Joliet, Ill., in May, 1856; came to Minnesota in 1856, and located near Watab; became a charter member of and served North Star Lodge as its first Senior Deacon. He died May 2, 1859, and was buried with Masonic honors. His was the first death in North Star Lodge.

Henry Hillman was born in Denmark in 1804; came to the United States in 1817. It is believed that he received his Masonic degrees in Freeport, Ill. He came to Watab, Minn., in 1857; became a charter member of and served North Star Lodge as its first Tyler. He died in St. Paul, Minn., Sept. 11, 1892.

George Bunting. Very little can be learned of this Brother, save that he was a carpenter and died in 1859.

D. J. Boyington was born in Maine in 1826; made a Mason in Bethlehem Lodge, No. 25, Augusta, Me. Was one of the charter members of North Star Lodge. Removed to California many years ago, and very little is known of him at the present time.

Burnham Hanson was born in Barrington, N. H., in 1826. Initiated an E. P. in Naval Lodge, Washington, D. C., in 1850; passed in a Lodge at Northampton, Mass.; came to Minnesota in 1855 and located at Watab, and was first Master Mason raised in North Star Lodge. He subsequently moved to Dover, N. H., and, if living, his present place of residence is not known.

During North Star's first three years the membership had only increased to fourteen, a net gain of five, and at the close of 1860 the outlook for its future in Watab was not by any means bright.

We have already spoken of the surrender of its charter by St. Cloud Lodge, No. 15, and the affiliation of some of its members with North Star Lodge. This may, in some measure, have influenced the action of North Star Lodge in asking permission to remove to St. Cloud in 1861. The transfer was accomplished in May, 1861, and the Lodge occupied the same rooms that had been used by St. Cloud Lodge, No. 15. The furniture and other property of the Lodge was brought down the river from Watab on a lumber raft. This change was not brought about without some considerable friction, but the wisdom of the act is not to be questioned. St. Cloud has grown to

be a city of 10,000 people, while Watab exists only in memory. The kindly offices of the Grand Master were required to smooth out the wrinkles that appeared. He did this by appointing Worshipful Bro. A. B. Curry to assume control of the Lodge, as his proxy, until such time as officers could be regularly elected and installed. On Aug. 10, 1861, the following officers were elected and installed:

Worshipful Master—T. C. Alden,
Senior Warden—Geo. S. Geer,
Junior Warden—A. W. Libby,
Treasurer—J. E. Hayward,
Secretary—W. J. Parsons,
Senior Deacon—G. S. Mattoon,
Junior Deacon—Silas Marlatt,
Tyler—S. J. Wheeler.

Of these only Bro. T. C. Alden is now living. The membership, stimulated by the removal, was doubled, so that in December, 1861, twenty-eight members were reported.

The years of the Rebellion and the Indian outbreak (1861 to 1865) called many of its members to arms, some of whom rose to distinction—Gen. Stephen Miller, Gen. T. H. Barrett, Col. H. C. Rogers, Captain Hartley and others. Thirty-three altogether answered to the country's call.

Since 1865 the Lodge has had a slow but constant and substantial growth, and to-day has on its rolls the names of men known throughout the state and nation.

Since 1864 the Lodge has owned and operated the only Protestant cemetery in the community, and in other ways has made itself felt among men.

The Bible now in use upon the altar was presented by the wives and daughters of its members in 1862. The records of the Lodge are complete, and from the first have been carefully preserved.

In conclusion, I would say that other Lodges may have enjoyed a larger growth, and added more to their material resources, but I do not believe there is a Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction in which the members are more closely bound together in friendship and brotherly love than in North Star Lodge, No. 23.

On motion proceedings were ordered to be printed.

Receipts from ten petitioners, \$50.

Session ended and Brethren dispersed at 11 o'clock p. m.

GILES W. MERRILL,
Secretary.

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511	John Thomas Black	Duluth	April 7, 1883.	July 27, 1904.	Palestine	79
512	Wm. Preston Roberts	Minneapolis.	April 11, 1883.	July 27, 1904.	Hennepin	4
513	John Leonard Berg	Fort Ripley	Nov. 10, 1875.	July 27, 1904.	Aurora	100
514	John Mailer	Scanlon	Sept. 21, 1875.	Nov. 8, 1904.	Winona	18
515	Albert Wilson	Stillwater	Aug. 16, 1875.	Dec. 7, 1904.	St. John's	1
516	James A. Scott	St. Paul	April 30, 1883.	Dec. 7, 1904.	Palestine	79
517	George E. Wilson	Stillwater	July 8, 1879.	Dec. 7, 1904.	St. John's	1
518	Wm. Morrow May	Stillwater	May 4, 1857.	Jan. 17, 1905.	St. John's	1
519	Chas. Clayton Bordwell	St. Paul	April 3, 1876.	Jan. 17, 1905.	St. John's	1
520	Thos. Alexander Whitworth.	Stillwater	Oct. 25, 1879.	Jan. 17, 1905.	St. John's	1
521	John H. Ludwig	St. Paul	Jan. 25, 1882.	Jan. 17, 1905.	Temple	180
522	Oscar Frederic Thomas.	Lakeland.	Sept. 22, 1876.	Jan. 17, 1905.	Golden Rule	65
523	Joseph Ridgway	Minneapolis.	Sept. 9, 1876.	Jan. 17, 1905.	Minneapolis.	65
524	John F. French	Windom.	April 21, 1883.	Jan. 17, 1905.	Prudence	97
525	Jerome Eugene Cooley	Duluth	Feb. 25, 1873.	Jan. 17, 1905.	Palestine	79
526	John Perkins Johnson	Duluth	Feb. 25, 1873.	Jan. 17, 1905.	Palestine	79
527	John Quincy Mackintosh	Stillwater	Sept. 10, 1883.	Jan. 17, 1905.	St. John's	1
528	George Henry Alwood	Stillwater	Oct. 10, 1881.	Jan. 17, 1905.	St. John's	1
529	Albert G. Triebel	Stillwater	April 12, 1883.	Jan. 17, 1905.	St. John's	1
530	Chas. Frederic Quincy	Stillwater	Dec. 12, 1881.	Jan. 17, 1905.	St. John's	1
531	Henry Gillam	Minneapolis	Aug. 13, 1865.	Jan. 17, 1905.	Hennepin	59
532	Wentworth Eaton Stwright	Hutchinson	July 10, 1868.	Jan. 17, 1905.	Temple	1
533	Solomon Fuller	Stillwater	July 13, 1878.	Jan. 17, 1905.	St. John's	1
534	Darius Steward	Stillwater	Feb. 21, 1881.	Jan. 17, 1905.	St. John's	1
535	Robert Smithson	Stillwater	Nov. 19, 1883.	Jan. 17, 1905.	St. John's	1
536	James Clinton Rhodes	Stillwater	April 13, 1876.	Jan. 17, 1905.	St. John's	1
537	Frederick Willman	Stillwater	April 13, 1876.	Jan. 17, 1905.	St. John's	1
538	Chas. Howard Coleman	Appleton	Aug. 10, 1897.	Jan. 17, 1905.	Ancient Landmark	5
539	James T. Wilkinson.	Appleton	Sept. 1, 1883.	Jan. 17, 1905.	Appleton Star	187
540	Albinus Lilly	La Crescent		Jan. 17, 1905.	Minneapolis.	29
541	William Ashbury Hall	Minneapolis.		Jan. 17, 1905.	Minneapolis.	19
542	Julius A. Haussner	White Bear	Dec. 3, 1883.	Jan. 17, 1905.	St. John's	1
543	Robt. Macune Anderson	Stillwater	April 2, 1883.	Jan. 17, 1905.	St. John's	1
544	James Doris	Carlton	Jan. 24, 1884.	Jan. 17, 1905.	Ancient Landmark	5
545	Alonzo T. Stebbins	Rochester	Mar. 29, 1883.	Jan. 18, 1905.	Rochester	21
546	Thomas Morris	Crookston	Mar. 31, 1883.	Jan. 18, 1905.	Crookston	141
547	Rufus Pendleton Wells.	Herman	Sept. 21, 1873.	Jan. 18, 1905.	Prescott	162
548	Frank Clarence Coolbaugh.	Cloquet	May 26, 1873.	Jan. 18, 1905.	Hennepin	4
549	Henry El Blian King	St. Paul	Mar. 15, 1871.	Jan. 18, 1905.	Montgomery	258
550	Abraham Selinger King	Lake Park	Feb. 15, 1874.	Jan. 18, 1905.	Lake Park	284
551	William M. Notting	Minneapolis.	Sept. 15, 1883.	Jan. 18, 1905.	Golden Sheaf	183
552	Samuel L. Hess.	St. Paul	Mar. 19, 1881.	Jan. 18, 1905.	Newport	118
553	August F. Truwe	Young America	Nov. 26, 1882.	Feb. 16, 1905.	Humboldt	182
554	James A. McClary	Minneapolis.	Dec. 12, 1872.	Feb. 16, 1905.	Minneapolis.	19

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521	John H. Ludwig	St. Paul	Jan. 25, 1882	Jan. 17, 1905	Triune	190
522	Oscar Frederic Thomas	Lakeland	April 24, 1872	Jan. 17, 1905	Golden Rule	65
523	Joseph Ridgway	Minneapolis	Sept. 9, 1876	Jan. 17, 1905	Minneapolis	19
524	John F. French	Windom	April 21, 1888	Jan. 17, 1905	Prudence	47
525	Jerome Eugene Cooley	Duluth	Feb. 25, 1878	Jan. 17, 1905	Palestine	79
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Of these only Bro. T. C. Alden is now living. The membership, stimulated by the removal, was doubled, so that in December, 1861, twenty-eight members were reported.

The years of the Rebellion and the Indian outbreak (1861 to 1865) called many of its members to arms, some of whom rose to distinction—Gen. Stephen Miller, Gen. T. H. Barrett, Col. H. C. Rogers, Captain Hartley and others. Thirty-three altogether answered to the country's call.

Since 1865 the Lodge has had a slow but constant and substantial growth, and to-day has on its rolls the names of men known throughout the state and nation.

Since 1864 the Lodge has owned and operated the only Protestant cemetery in the community, and in other ways has made itself felt among men.

The Bible now in use upon the altar was presented by the wives and daughters of its members in 1862. The records of the Lodge are complete, and from the first have been carefully preserved.

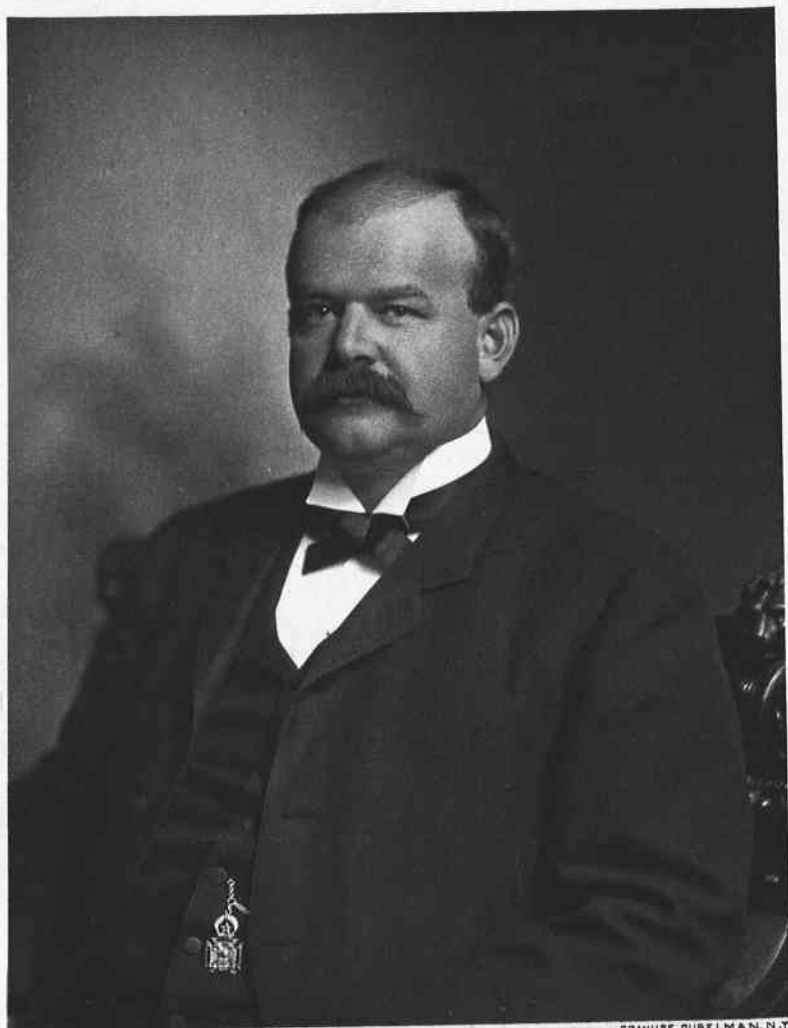
In conclusion, I would say that other Lodges may have enjoyed a larger growth, and added more to their material resources, but I do not believe there is a Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction in which the members are more closely bound together in friendship and brotherly love than in North Star Lodge, No. 23.

On motion proceedings were ordered to be printed.

Receipts from ten petitioners, \$50.

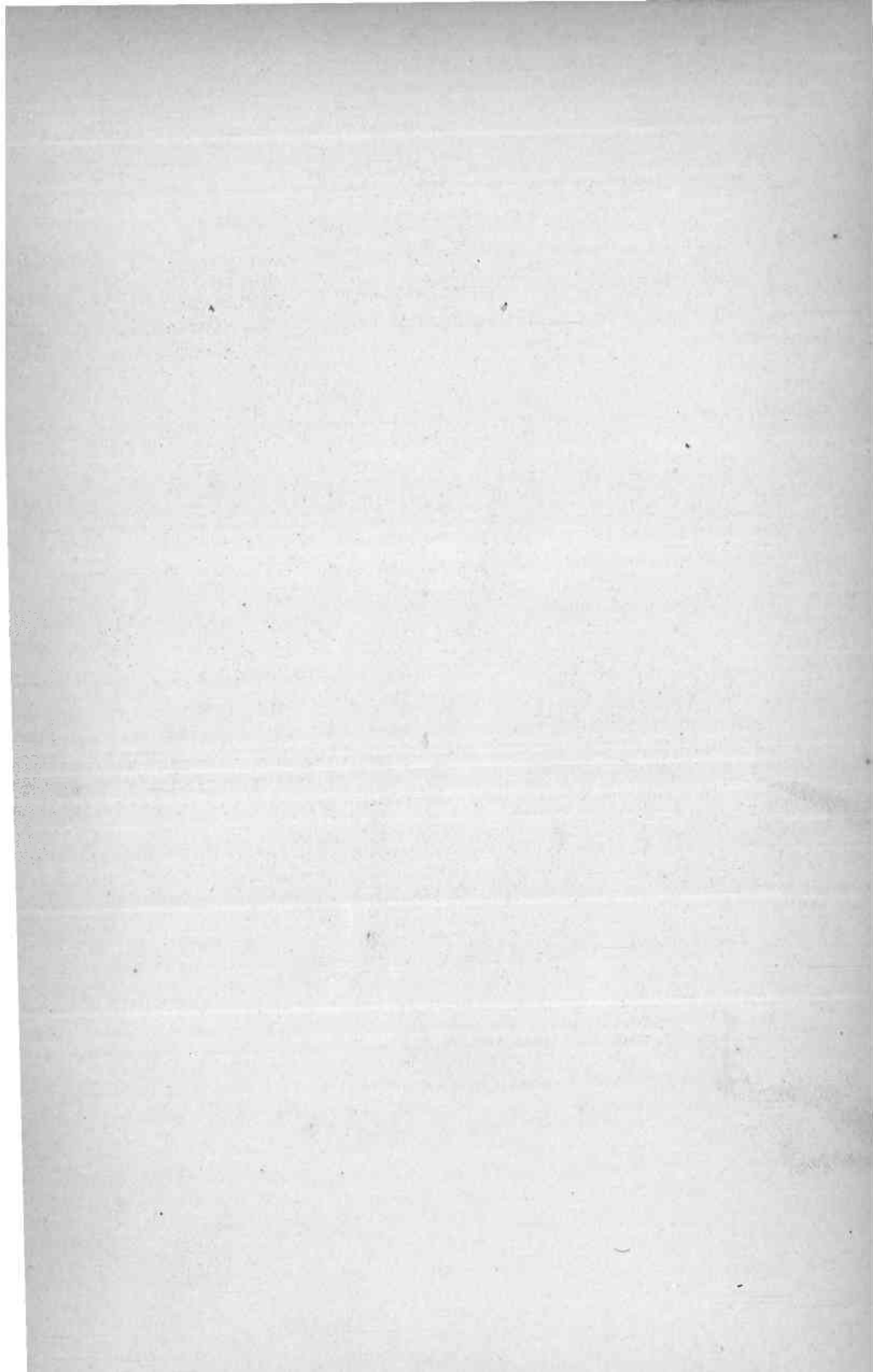
Session ended and Brethren dispersed at 11 o'clock p. m.

GILES W. MERRILL,
Secretary.



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